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CHRISTMAS CHEER: Paul Benson and Alan McCormack visit a youngster at Queen Elizabeth Hospital

## Season's greetings

CHARLTON first-team members played Santa when they gave out Christmas presents to sick youngsters during the holidays.

Traditionally, the Addicks players visit the children's wards at both the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, in Charlton, and

Queen Mary's Hospital, in Sidcup. Over the last year the children's ward has moved from Queen Mary's so players also popped into the Demelza Care for Children hospice in New Eltham.

Charlton captain Christian Dailly, who

visited Demelza, said: "It is a privilege to be able to spread a little Christmas cheer at this time of the year and remember youngsters who may not be able to enjoy the festive season as much as everyone would like."

● 'Swiss role for the Addicks' see p28

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In my  
opinionKeeping  
the  
sharks  
at bay

NO one needs telling that 2011 could be quite a difficult year for many people. Losing jobs and seeing services cut is the kind of double whammy we all dread - and sadly it's also the time when unscrupulous companies, the "loan sharks", try to take advantage of the situation.

Well, our church in Plumstead is trying to do something about it. We have set up Slade Money Matters where people from all over Greenwich can get free advice on how to try and avoid getting into debt.

We have a team of four fully trained to help people develop a realistic budget to avoid the money problems. Our aim is to keep them out of debt or, if they have some debt already, to try and make sure it doesn't get any worse.

We have produced a daily sheet for people to record their spending over the course of a week - as well as their regular bills - so that we can sit down and discuss the overall situation with them.

We get very involved in our local community and believe our Christian work includes down-to-earth issues like these.

I was a Greenwich councillor for 24 years and twice Mayor of Greenwich so I know about

residents' problems. We started Slade Money matters in September and have had some very good feedback from people. Word of mouth is important but we also thought GT would be a big help.

The scheme looks at people's priorities in their spending and encourages them to pay them first. Then it's often a question of delaying other expenditure where possible so they can feel reasonably comfortable within their budget.

It's important to talk because a budget is something that needs to be shared by couples. It's so easy for one partner to get in debt without telling the other.

We got in touch with the excellent Christians Against Poverty and Christian Stewardship and went on courses to do this kind of work. As Christians we are involved in the family and as money matters to families it's important that we are there to help in this difficult area.

Advice sessions are held at the Slade Evangelical Church in Plumstead on Wednesdays between 12-1.30pm and Thursday between 7-8.30pm. We ask people to ring first for an appointment and a quick chat on 07505 999 232.

Brian O'Sullivan

## Council tackles budget shortfall

GREENWICH Council has identified savings of £27.2m to meet a shortfall of funding caused by government cuts - but latest government figures announced last month show that further cuts will be required. The cuts are part of the government's Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement. As a result government grants to Greenwich will be reduced

by £62m over the next four years. On December 14, the council's Cabinet agreed budget reductions of £21.4m, which were added to a further £5.8m in savings already approved last June. The council is now having to consider further savings and efficiencies towards the eventual target and will be consulting service users in a bid to reduce the impact on services and the

voluntary sector. The council is basing further cuts on core principles which include:

- maintaining the quality and efficiency of services
- keeping Council Tax increases to a minimum
- prioritising front line services, particularly for children and vulnerable adults and
- maximising efficiencies across the council, while minimising job losses.

Council leader Chris Roberts said: "The council recognises the potential turmoil from the Coalition Government's spending cuts and will therefore seek to conclude the budget process within the shortest possible timescale." The council has promised that consultation with service users will inform the final decisions.

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Core values  
for the borough

Residents help shape plans up to 2027

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**PEOPLE in Greenwich are taking the opportunity to help shape how the borough will look over the next 15 years.**

Both residents and businesses have been having their say on the council's Core Strategy plan - the document that will be used to decide all developments and planning applications until the year 2027.

The draft document sets out the important planning issues facing the borough and explains how the council proposes to deal with them. These include expected high levels of new housing and supporting the regeneration of the borough's town centres.

A series of exhibitions is now taking place where people can check out a draft of the document, make comments and ask questions. Six exhibitions have already been held around the borough, and another five are being held over the next few weeks until public consultation closes on February 5. People have been able to speak directly to council staff about what they see as the important planning issues for Greenwich.

Council staff also worked with secondary school students at the recent Y-Factor event in Eltham to



LOOKING AHEAD: Visitors to one of the exhibitions check out the borough's Core Strategy plan that will take Greenwich up to 2027

find out what they feel are important planning issues for young people. These included having high-quality

play areas close to where people live, and feeling safe in their neighbourhoods. The strategy document also

includes plans to create two new urban areas at Charlton Riverside and Greenwich Peninsula West, plus suggestions on how the borough can benefit from Crossrail and its new stations at Woolwich Arsenal and Abbey Wood.

As well as the public exhibitions, council officers are available to attend meetings of community groups to explain the plan's implications. Copies of the draft plan are available both online and at borough libraries.

People's views will be logged and then used to adjust the Core Strategy plan, which will then be published again in the Autumn for further consultation.

**Public exhibitions will be taking place on:**

- Saturday, January 8, 10am-2pm at Woolwich - Waterfront Leisure Centre
- Tuesday, January 11, 3pm - 7pm at The Forum at Greenwich
- Thursday, January 13, 3pm - 7pm at Abbey Wood Library
- Saturday, January 15, 10am - 2pm at Eltham Centre Library
- Tuesday, January 18, 3pm - 7pm at Charlton

● TO find out more and have your say visit:

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/corestrategy](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/corestrategy) or call 020 8921 5343.

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# Our resolution

New Year message from the leader of Greenwich Council

## NEW Year is a time for resolutions and making promises.

We are of course living in difficult times. For many, 2010 was a difficult year but it seems to me all the more important that those in charge of things ought to be more and not less determined to keep their resolutions and promises and earn the faith people place in them.

In 2011, we in Greenwich will face budget cuts which will in the next few years reduce our budget by £62m. Our police service faces the loss of many hard working and dedicated officers and we can expect the same in the National Health Service. Within the council, we will be doing all we can to protect the key front-line services, while looking for every possible efficiency in how services are provided.

But we won't forget our promises.

So, in addition to trying to make sure we can keep the main roads operational during the bad weather, I am pleased we end this year having identified budget savings which do not close libraries, cut back on services to our elderly, or undermine the protection of children thought to be at risk.

For the first time in a quarter century, we have also built and let new family homes for council tenants. A major concern going forward is how we protect what remains a scarce resource for our own Greenwich residents and their children. Changes to housing benefit are likely to mean that a major shift of poorer families out of

central London will find themselves relocated against their will and away from their children's schools and heading to places like Greenwich, in need of a school place, a council home and who knows whatever additional public services.

Boroughs like Greenwich could be particularly vulnerable to this, and to the resultant pressures on their social infrastructure.

Yet in Greenwich, despite these enormous challenges I believe the work that we have done over recent years with public and private sector partners puts us in a stronger position than many.

In 2011 work will start

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on new school buildings at Eltham Hill College, while in the autumn two fully rebuilt secondary schools, at Thomas Tallis and Crown Woods, will open. We should see a large hole being dug at Woolwich to accommodate the construction of the Crossrail station box and all being well, hundreds more new homes will be completed across the borough, and both Greenwich and Woolwich



**FOR THEIR FUTURE:**  
council leader Chris Roberts with young people benefiting from the Greenwich Starting Blocks charity

will see their main public squares refurbished. At a pinch, we might even see the Cutty Sark opened in time for next Christmas.

Despite challenging days ahead, I renew my commitment to keep the interests of the people of this great borough as my core priority and I wish you and your families a healthy, peaceful and happy new year.

**Chris Roberts, Leader of Greenwich Council**

## Mayor's new year message

THE Mayor of Greenwich is looking forward to exciting times in the borough over the next couple of years. Cllr Barbara Barwick told GT: "It's been a hectic Mayoral year so far." Wishing GT readers a happy new year, she said: "I hope to see as many of you as possible at local events in 2011. "It is going to be very exciting for us in Greenwich, while we make

preparation for some very notable future events, such as the arrival of the Kings Troop Royal Horse Artillery, complete with horses and gun carriages during the autumn, and in 2012, becoming a Royal Borough, followed by the Olympic and Paralympic Games during the summer of 2012."

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## Thanks for helping my daughter in the park

I AM writing to say a very big thank you to everyone who helped my daughter Emma Gibson on Friday, November 26. An incident happened in Greenwich Park where she was hit by a group of boys who were using a wooden plank as a sledge. They were sliding down the steep hill in the park and it hit my daughter in her back



and she went flying in the air. The park keeper came over to her and two boys who are in the

police cadets. They used their knowledge in what they had learned - not move her as her back could have been broken. She was lying in the snow for about 20 minutes. She said that everyone at that place all took off their coats and tops to put over her. I was so touched by this. It shows that there is love out there. I was at home at the time, when

I got the phone call. These people deserve a big thank you. An ambulance was called and also an emergency helicopter but it could not risk lifting her because of the extreme weather conditions. She is only 14 years old and luckily when she was taken to Lewisham Hospital the X-rays were all clear.

**Coppellia Gibson,  
Greenwich**

## We'll have to stop visiting

MY family and I love Greenwich but as parking is so difficult, I always go by bus. However, my daughter lives the other side of Orpington and being a busy working mum doesn't have the time to catch three buses to Greenwich. So one Sunday we arranged to meet at the car park behind the Trafalgar Tavern in Park Row. She had already tried for half an hour to find a space and after waiting we drove down towards the river. We managed to find a space on a single yellow line where there were no 'No Parking' signs. I presumed the ticket machines were for the parking bays only and I asked a security guard who said it was OK to park on single yellow lines on a Sunday. We left the car at 12.40 and returned at 4 pm

to find a parking notice on the windscreen. My daughter appealed but was unsuccessful and had to pay. We often come to Greenwich but on this particular Sunday, the parking was so restricted that we were at a loss what to do, apart from driving home. I am afraid that we will no longer be visiting Greenwich.

**Angela Walker, Eltham**  
● On occasions the council will cordon off or suspend some parking areas, to allow filming to take place. The council always consults with local residents and businesses first and makes sure that there are adequate spaces available for shoppers and visitors too. Parking restrictions in nearby streets remain in place unless clearly indicated otherwise. Ed

## Why is it necessary to close the foot tunnels?

CAN anyone explain why the only two foot tunnels that connect north and south London are closed for refurbishment? Woolwich is permanently closed until March, 2011, and Greenwich closes after 9pm. The last ferry from North Woolwich is

at 9.45pm. I have a part-time evening job which is about 40 minutes on my bike from Thamesmead, but if I miss the last ferry I have to go to Tower Bridge. And why was the planned bridge cancelled?

**Antonio Cresce,  
Thamesmead**

● MAJOR refurbishment is being carried out to both tunnels, which are around 100 years old. A schedule was planned so that pedestrians and cyclists could use the lifts while the stairs were being renewed. Regrettably, corrosion on the stairs at

Woolwich mean it was no longer possible to keep the lifts open. Alternative arrangements include the Woolwich free ferry. The council supported plans for a Thames Gateway Bridge but the Mayor of London decided to cancel the scheme. Ed.

OUR Star Letter writer will win two tickets to a Charlton Athletic match at The Valley for the 2010/11 season, so get writing! For information on 2010/11 season tickets please visit [www.cafc.co.uk](http://www.cafc.co.uk) or call 0871 226 1905.



## Now that was true grit...

I JUST wanted to say a quick well done Greenwich over the bad weather conditions. The main roads were well gritted by the time one went to work. It was quite a difference from the neighbouring borough that I work in. I had to give up using my car on the first snow conditions as by the time I reached the next borough, I never felt safe driving. Well done, Greenwich.

**Laurantia Mqotsi,  
Plumstead**

MANY thanks to all readers who have submitted photos for the Pic Spot feature. We will try to feature them all. Ed

**Pic Spot...** send yours to [peter@cfjournals.demon.co.uk](mailto:peter@cfjournals.demon.co.uk)



LYNNE MOHRING: 'Here's a picture I took of the ducks and swans on an icy pond outside the Princess of Wales pub in Blackheath.'

## A night to help the heroes

THE Coldharbour Tenants and Residents Association enjoyed a sell-out social night that raised funds for Help The Heroes and the Army Benevolent Fund. Raffles, Door prizes and a donation from the Friday Club helped to raise a grand total of £1376.73. Major Gerry Porter from Woolwich Barracks, who accepted the cheque on behalf of the charities, described the amount as "truly amazing and testament to everyone's hard work". The CTRA holds various events and trips throughout the year and new members are always welcome. Please phone 07757 453 264 and leave a message.

**G. McCaul, Eltham**





**SOMETHING TO SHOUT ABOUT:**  
pupils drum out the old and heat  
in the new

# Drumming up support

Pupils  
celebrate  
start of  
school  
rebuilding  
work

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**THE** thunderous beat of hundreds of drums pounded through Eltham Hill Technology College on the last day of term.

A special assembly marked the signing of the contract to rebuild the school and staff, students and governors armed with 1,200 African drums, sounded a rhythm to 'drum out the old and drum in the new'.

The whole school gathered over lunchtime on December 16 to celebrate the milestone event at the school in Eltham Hill.

Earlier in the day, all 900 girls in the school had been taught to play different types of drums by musicians from the Drum Café UK, which runs team-building events.

The first phase of the rebuilding project, which is being funded through the government's Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme, is about to get underway.

Madeleine Griffin, principal of Eltham Hill, told GT: "We are very excited that after all the detailed planning, consultation and design, we will soon see a new state-of-the-art, 21st Century, learning environment begin to take shape for our students and the local community."

Cllr Jackie Smith, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for children and young people, said: "The school community is understandably excited at the start of

**IN THE PIPELINE:** an artist's  
impression of the  
newlook school



work and I know Eltham Hill can look forward to a positive future. The benefits will not just be for staff and students, but also for the local community, who will enjoy access to many of the new facilities that are being built."

The project involves the full refurbishment of the original 1920s school plus three new buildings. There will also be a new sports pitch, landscaping and car parking. It means the school will also be able to offer a mixed post-16 teaching programme for 150 students and develop specialist language teaching.

The school site includes a Grade II listed wall and garden pavilion and the new design integrates these into the pedestrian entrance, creating a new garden, which will be known as the Van Dyke Garden.

All of the school grounds and at least a third of the new school buildings will be made available for use by the local community. These include the main hall, the sports block and the Learning

Resource areas in the main teaching block.

Greenwich Council's Planning Board approved the rebuilding scheme at a meeting in July. The building work will be carried out in two phases. The first will prepare for the new building at the front of the school, which is currently the staff car park and entrance area. Following this, the existing buildings in the north east corner of the site close will be demolished to leave space for the new main school building and the new sports hall. The existing school will continue to be used while this is being done.

Once finished, the whole school will move into the two new buildings, while the second phase involving demolition work and refurbishment of the 1920s building gets underway. In all, three-quarters of the school's accommodation will be brand new, while a quarter will be in existing buildings that have been updated. The entire project is expected to be finished by summer 2013.

● **Eltham Hill is one of five BSF schemes** are taking place at secondary school in the borough. The rebuilding projects of Thomas Tallis in Kidbrooke and Crown Woods in Eltham are both underway, and due for completion in Autumn 2011. The refurbishment of Plumstead Manor began in November. Details of the scheme to partially rebuild The John Roan are still being finalised.

● **News about schools and libraries** at [www.greenwich.gov.uk/learning](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/learning)

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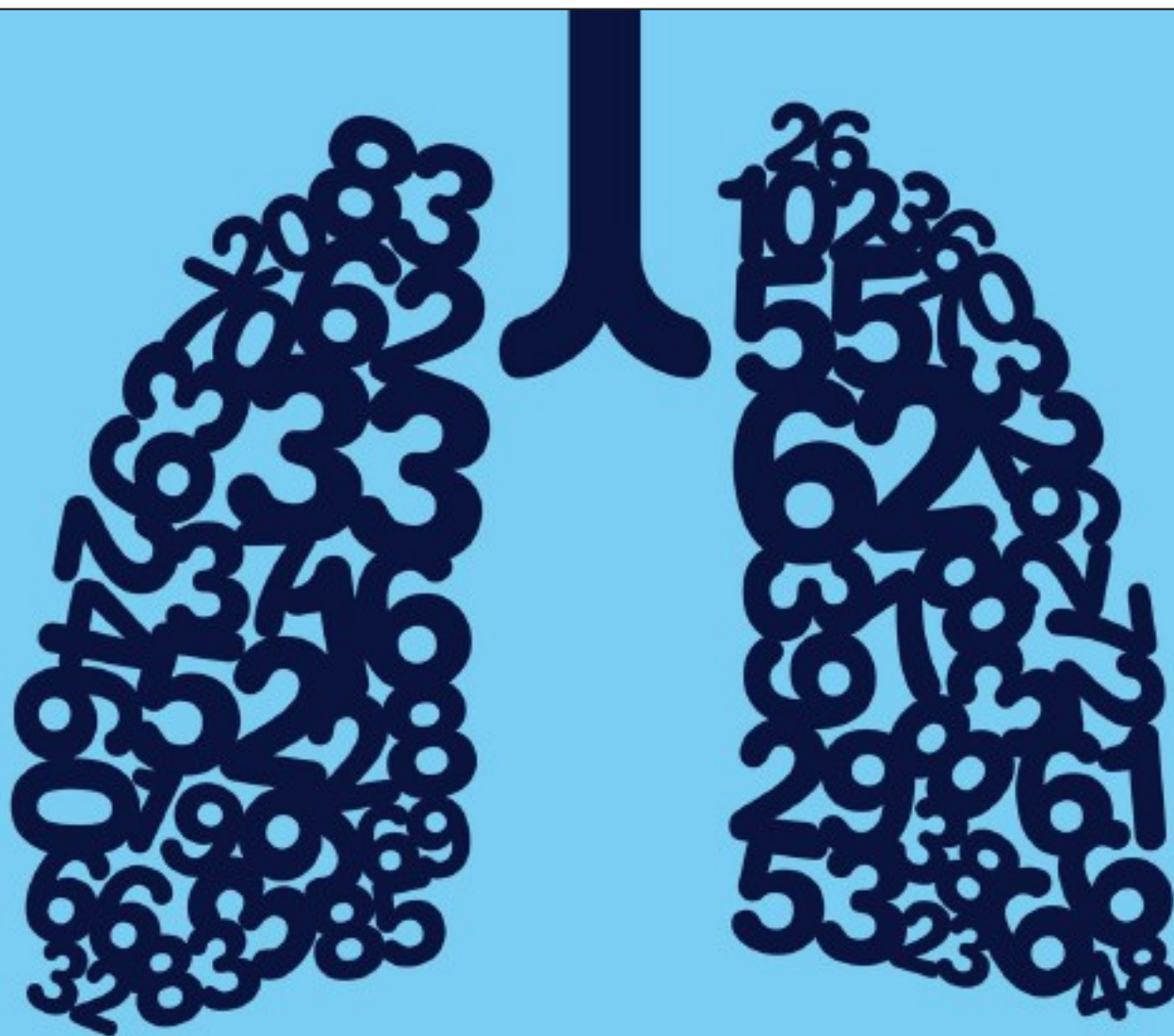
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# Your chance to take control

More say for disabled and elderly in new care scheme

by Hilary Bryan

A NEW system that will change the way disabled and older people receive equipment is being launched this month.

The new Transforming Community Equipment Services (TCES) system, a joint project between Greenwich Council and NHS Greenwich, will involve the issue of prescriptions that can be exchanged for small aids such as grab rails and raised toilet seats that help disabled and older people maintain their independence.

Under the new system, an assessor will issue a prescription for equipment which can be taken to a range of accredited shops and chemists across the borough.

It means the elderly or disabled client can choose whatever equipment is most suitable for them, and whatever they choose will become their property.

The procedure for the more complex, larger items such as walking frames and special mattresses will remain the same.

People who do not receive council support will also still be able to purchase equipment through the accredited retailers, saving time and providing them with access to nationally accredited equipment.

The new system is part of a bigger London-wide strategy designed to change the way social care is provided.

The wider scheme, known as "Choice and Control" in Greenwich, is currently being piloted by Greenwich Council and NHS Greenwich will provide an alternative to the council's traditional method of deciding what level of support people need and then providing that support.

Instead, people will now have the option to manage their own budget or alternatively, have

**The people involved are the best ones to decide the services they receive**



**FLEXIBILITY:** wheelchair user John Littlefield, 66, says the scheme gives him control to do things when he wants to including going out in the evenings

someone manage it for them.

Cllr Peter Kotz, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for health, adults and older people, said: "The idea behind the whole "Choice and Control" scheme is that the people involved are the best ones to decide the services they receive. It gives them a sense of ownership and an opportunity to be involved in choosing exactly what will help them to live the way they want. The TCES model is another part of that commitment, giving users the opportunity to select and own a product that they feel benefits them the most."

Seventy-seven year-old Dorothy Hadley is partially sighted and hard of hearing. The grandma of

15 and great-grandma of five has lived in her Greenwich home for 58 years.

"I have handrails in the kitchen, in the passage and up the stairs as well as a raised chair in the living room and a raised toilet seat," Mrs Hadley told GT.

She added: "I get prescriptions for the medicine I need so it's a good idea to get them for the equipment I need."

For more information on "Choice & Control" and the TCES model, including the list of the accredited retailers, visit the Greenwich Council website at [www.greenwich.gov.uk/choosing-socialcare](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/choosing-socialcare)

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### NEW YEAR VACANCIES

A LOCAL branch of a global communications company – Alcatel Lucent, based in Greenwich – is recruiting production line workers. GLLaB, the borough's local labour and business initiative, is inviting applications from people with an electrical, mechanical or BT engineering background for a series of roles within Alcatel.

If you meet the criteria and would like to apply, GLLaB will be holding a pre-screening day for these vacancies on Friday, January 7 at its Greenwich Work and Learn Centre. To attend contact Simone on 020 8858 7792, and email a copy of your CV to [s.crossley@gllab.org.uk](mailto:s.crossley@gllab.org.uk)

# Let's get physical

## Primary pupils win £10,000 in sports equipment



**BAT AND BALL FOR ALL:** pupils celebrate their new equipment with PE teacher Angela Cartwright and prizewinner Sandra Barrett, right Angela and Sandra join headteacher Jon Goulding and governor Miranda Williams to receive the £10,000 cheque



**PE will mean more than a hop, skip and a jump to pupils at Millennium school.**

Youngsters at the primary in John Harrison Way, on the Peninsula, have just received £10,000 in new sports equipment thanks to teaching assistant Sandra Barrett.

Sandra entered a competition at her local Morrisons store in Thamesmead where she was asked to complete a slogan in a competition run by United Biscuits McVities & Jacobs. Her entry: "My school should win the prize because the Olympians are

our inspiration, we need the equipment to imitate them!" was one of only three chosen from 436 Morrisons stores around the country.

Sandra, who has worked at the school for almost four years, was joined by teachers and pupils to receive their £10,000 prize on December 16.

Headteacher Jon Goulding said: "Physical Education is a very important aspect at Millennium Primary. The £10k has enabled us to purchase lots of resources to

further improve the curriculum we can offer to the children particularly in the run up to the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics."

## Prime Minister's award for Greenwich leisure firm

A Greenwich company has won praise from the Prime Minister. GLL (Greenwich Leisure Ltd) was one of four organisations to win a Big Society Award last month.

Founded in 1993, GLL is a charitable social enterprise which operates more than 70 leisure centres in partnership with 20 councils across South East London including seven leisure centres which it runs on behalf of Greenwich Council. Prime Minister David Cameron said: "With its passion for providing affordable leisure and fitness facilities and dedication to encouraging a wide range of people to get involved in

physical fitness, GLL has shown a real commitment to improving the lives of the communities it services."

GLL managing director Mark Sesnan, said: "We are really delighted to receive the Prime Minister's Big Society Award - it is a fantastic endorsement of our charitable, social, sport, health and business and environmental goals.

"GLL is one of the very first 'spin out' mutuals and we are now working in partnership with 20 councils across the South East. This year our turnover hit £80m and is set to break the £100m mark in 2011, demonstrating that community

focus can also reap business benefits."

GLL reps will be invited to a Big Society Award Winners reception at Downing Street to receive a certificate. The new weekly awards, launched in November, have been created to recognise individuals, groups or organisations that inspire others to get more involved in their communities. Winners are chosen by a panel of previous winners and individuals from civil society organisations, government and the private sector. To nominate a Big Society Award winner visit [www.number10.gov.uk/bigsocietyawards](http://www.number10.gov.uk/bigsocietyawards)

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# TfL funding boost for Greenwich town centres

IMPROVING and revitalising the borough's town centres is the main priority for Greenwich Council which has been awarded nearly £4m from Transport for London.

It's being allocated from a Transport for London budget of £146m to fund improvements to town centres, public spaces, new cycling facilities, safer roads and measures to smooth traffic flow. But local councils have been given the flexibility to prioritise projects according to local need.

Greenwich is concentrating its spending on improvements to Woolwich, Greenwich and Eltham town centres.

A sum of £3,066,000 has been allocated to encourage walking and cycling and smoothing traffic flow.

Also £175,000 will be used for the promotion of sustainable and safe travel in schools as well as highway safety improvement works; while £123,000 has been earmarked to promote cycling in the borough, including cycle route improvements and cycle safety training.

The projects follow a series of improvements designed to make life easier and safer for drivers and pedestrians in Eltham High Street, which were agreed by the council's highways committee at a meeting on December 16.

Work on the £380,000 package of improvements funded by TfL is set to start soon and include:

- an anti skid surface at the junction of Well Hall Road and the High Street

- better road markings, pedestrian crossings and traffic light sequences
- improved lighting along Philipot Path and upgraded pavements on the High Street

- the removal of some 'street furniture' and signage to cut down on High Street clutter and

- the removal of guard rails which make it difficult for passengers to get in and out of cars.

Patrick O'Sullivan, chair of the Eltham Town centre Partnership, which was consulted, said: "We are delighted with the work done by the council to make Eltham High Street, a safer environment for motorists and pedestrians alike.


"The effort to de-clutter the High Street by removing unnecessary

railings and posts immediately makes the shop fronts stand out, and makes it easier and safer for drivers and passengers to get from their car to the pavement."

He added: "Crossings in the street have been much improved, which will hopefully add to the positive experience of shopping in Eltham High Street."

Cllr Denise Hyland Greenwich Council's cabinet member for highways said: "The council has been working closely with local organisations to draw up a number of traffic and highway improvements in Eltham. "This further funding from TfL enables us to make additional improvements to our town centres, make our roads safer and provide better cycling facilities."

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<b>Publicity For Planning Applications</b>			
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Hyde Housing Group</b> <b>14 PRINCE RUPERT ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 1LS</b> <b>Development:</b> Installation of solar panels to rear roof slope. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> S304/1000 (Site Location Plan), S304/1201, S304/1205, S304/1210, xxxxxx-3800 Rev A, Photo 1 and Photo 2 and Design and Access Statement. <b>Library:</b> Eltham Library, 2 Arberry Road SE9 1HA <b>Conservation Area:</b> PROGRESS ESTATE	<b>102475F</b>	<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Mr Gavin Watters Eltham Renaissance</b> <b>GROVE MARKET PLACE AND 60 ELTHAM HIGH STREET, ELTHAM, SE9</b> <b>Development:</b> Demolition of existing shopping centre and residential units above. Redevelopment of the site to provide a building of up to 6 storeys plus basement level comprising retail shop (R1), retail/restaurant (R1A/R2), an 86 bed hotel, 71 residential units (incorporating first floor amenity deck), basement car parking for 115 vehicles and ancillary development. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 2010/0881/01, 101, 200 Rev F, 201 Rev F, 202 Rev F, 203 Rev F, 204 Rev F, 205 Rev F, 206 Rev F, 207 Rev F, 208 Rev A, 208, 210, 210, 230 Rev B, 231 Rev B, 232 Rev B, 240 Rev F, 242, 244 Rev F, 245 Rev F, Supporting Planning Statement, PPSA Statement, Social & Economic Assessment, Transport Assessment & Travel Plan, Noise Assessment, Daylight & Sunlight Report, Energy Strategy Sustainability Statement, BREEM Other Buildings 2008 Estimate, BREEM Retail 2008, Code for Sustainable Homes, Phase 1 Environmental Assessment Report, Public Consultation Statement and Design & Access Statement. <b>Library:</b> Eltham Library, Eltham High Street SE9 2HA <b>Conservation Area:</b>	<b>103357F</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>New Life Centre</b> <b>18 LAKEDALE ROAD, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 1PP</b> <b>Development:</b> Change of use of first floor from A1/B1 (shop) to D1 (non-residential, education, training centre). <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, Allocated Drawing No. 001, Site Location Plan, Fire Risk Assessment and Design and Access Statement. <b>Library:</b> Plumstead Library, Plumstead High Street SE18 1JL <b>Conservation Area:</b>	<b>1033248F</b>	<b>Publicity for Listed Building Consent</b>	
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Mr Frost</b> <b>160 LANGTON WAY, BLACKHEATH, SE3 7JR</b> <b>Development:</b> Construction of a single storey rear extension and installation of replacement windows. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> Proposed Relativism) Lp 00F, 07/07 PP03/Rev A, PP04/Rev A, (Existing Dwelling) 07/10 EX00L <b>Library:</b> Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT <b>Conservation Area:</b> BLACKHEATH	<b>103366F</b>	<b>Applicant:</b> <b>THE ROYAL PARKS</b> <b>DWARF ORCHARD, GREENWICH PARK, BLACKHEATH AVENUE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8QY</b> <b>Development:</b> Installation of replacement Vehicular Access Gates to the Dwarf Orchard fronting Park Vista. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 2010/04001 (Rev. 0), 2010/04002 (Rev. 0), 2010/04003 (Rev. 0), 2010/04004 (Rev. 0), Design and Access Statement, Letter dated 13 November and Email dated 04 November, 05 November, 15 November, 19 November and 06 December 2010. <b>Library:</b> East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 8RL <b>Conservation Area:</b> WEST GREENWICH <b>Listed Building:</b> Grade 2	<b>102927L</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Mr A Farnica</b> <b>19 WESTCOMBE PARK ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7RE</b> <b>Development:</b> Change of use from Nursery School (D1) to 3 bed dwelling (C3) including internal alterations and installation of one roof light. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 10-035 EX-100 (Site Location Plan), EX-001A, EX-002, EX-003, EX-004, PL-001B, PL-002, PL-003, PL-004, PL-005 (Application Photos: External, Street 1 (Application Photos: Internal) and Design and Access Statement. <b>Library:</b> Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT <b>Conservation Area:</b> GREENWICH PARK	<b>103304F</b>	<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Mr M. Rhede</b> <b>49 HILLREACH, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 4AL</b> <b>Development:</b> 1. Removal of kitchen furniture, fixtures and fittings. 2. Discard damp and failing modern plaster. 3. Remove laminate flooring and underlay. 4. Create gullies in basement floor level into which all dampness/moisture from walls and floor to street level drainage. 5. Excavate a sump and install a Triton Aqua Pump Kit. 6. Lay Triton Colour Photon Multi to floor substrate and fix Triton P5 Membrane system to all walls. 7. Fix dry-lining and apply a plaster. 8. Lay a dry board floor system and install new laminate flooring. 9. Re-install existing kitchen furniture, fixtures and fittings. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 001, Allocated Drawing No. 001, Photo 1, Photo 2, Photo 3, Photo 4, Site Location Plan, Aerial Photo and Site Plan. <b>Library:</b> Woolwich Library, Calthamwood Street SE18 8QJ <b>Conservation Area:</b> Listed Building: Grade 2	<b>103197L</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Olympic Delivery Authority</b> <b>LAND AT AND ADJOINING BARRACKS FIELD, WOOLWICH COMMON, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18</b> <b>Development:</b> Submission of details pursuant to condition 2 (details of buildings, layout, design, parking), 3 (irrigation, restoration and management plans), 5 (planting), 11 (noise mitigation strategy), 15 (lighting strategy), 18 (car, coach and cycling strategy) and 19 (surface water drainage) of the planning permission dated 12.11.10 (ref:08/0245/F) to use the site as a temporary venue for the Olympic and Paralympic Games shooting and archery events. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> Volume 1 and 2, Phase Schedule December 2010 and Letter 10/12/10 <b>Library:</b> Woolwich Library, Calthamwood Street, SE18 8QJ <b>Conservation Area:</b> WOOLWICH COMMON	<b>103308SD</b>	<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Mr A Farnica</b> <b>19 WESTCOMBE PARK ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7RE</b> <b>Development:</b> Change of use from Nursery School (D1) to 3-bed dwelling (C3) including internal alterations and installation of one roof light. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 10-036 EX-100 (Site Location Plan), EX-001A, EX-002, EX-003, EX-004, PL-001B, PL-002, PL-003, PL-004, PL-005 (Application Photos: External, Street 1 (Application Photos: Internal) and Design and Access Statement. <b>Library:</b> Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT <b>Conservation Area:</b> GREENWICH PARK <b>Listed Building:</b> Grade 2	<b>103305L</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>THE ROYAL PARKS</b> <b>DWARF ORCHARD, GREENWICH PARK, BLACKHEATH AVENUE, GREENWICH</b> <b>Development:</b> Installation of Replacement Vehicular Access Gates to the Dwarf Orchard fronting Park Vista. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 2010/04001 (Rev. 0), 2010/04002 (Rev. 0), 2010/04003 (Rev. 0), 2010/04004 (Rev. 0), Design and Access Statement, Letter dated 23 November and Email dated 04 November, 05 November, 15 November, 19 November and 06 December 2010. <b>Library:</b> East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 8RL <b>Conservation Area:</b> GREENWICH PARK	<b>103313F</b>	<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Olympic Delivery Authority</b> <b>OLYMPICS WOOLWICH BARRACKS, HA HA ROAD, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 4QG</b> <b>Development:</b> Works associated with the temporary building of the Iron Ha Ha to enable pedestrian circulation within the venue, erection of security fencing and the restoration of the Ha Ha to an "as found condition". <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> POP-40-94-WOMB-PL-001-100, J01C5-0-94-WOMB-GE-00-2401, 0720-448-SIT-C-002-50N1 (Rev. 003), Site location plan, Supporting Statement (December 2010) and Design and Access Statement (December 2010). <b>Library:</b> Woolwich Library, Calthamwood Street, SE18 8QJ <b>Conservation Area:</b> WOOLWICH COMMON <b>Listed Building:</b> Grade 2	<b>103401L</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>The Studio Blackheath Ltd</b> <b>160-165 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, SE10</b> <b>Development:</b> Variation of condition 2 (hours of operation) of planning permission dated 07/10/2010 ref 1071385/F to extend opening hours to 0730 - 1900 Mondays to Fridays, 0800 - 1930 Saturdays and 1000 - 1600 Sundays. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> Notice under Article 6 for Planning Permission, Site location plan and Letter dated 15th December 2010 <b>Library:</b> West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NH <b>Conservation Area:</b>	<b>103319V</b>	<b>Publicity For Press Advertisements</b>	
<b>Applicant:</b> <b>Ms P Sandhu</b> <b>FORMER TORNADO, 223 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8NS</b> <b>Development:</b> Installation of an externally illuminated fascia sign. <b>Drawing Numbers:</b> 2570/01-02 and 2570/03 (Site Location Plan) <b>Library:</b> West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NH <b>Conservation Area:</b> WEST GREENWICH	<b>103112A</b>	 <b>Greenwich Council</b>	



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# Locals put pen to paper for novel idea

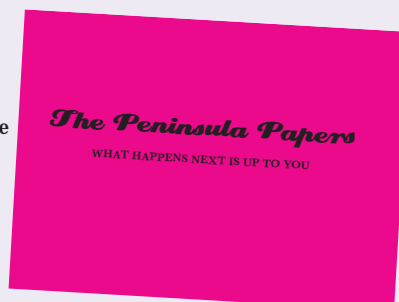
EAST Greenwich residents are being asked to put pen to paper to help write a novel about their lives on Greenwich Peninsula. Organisers behind the project hope to publish the collaborative novel called The Peninsula Papers in the spring.

Artist Lucy Harrison has been working with residents in East Greenwich and on the Peninsula to write extracts for the novel. The narrative is based on their real and imaginary experiences and moves between past, present and future.

Pupils, parents and staff from Millennium, Halstow and St Joseph's primary schools and residents at Sam

Manners sheltered housing scheme are the latest to write their stories for the project. But Lucy is looking for more locals who would be willing to contribute to the text.

Contributions can be made in a variety of formats from written chapters to audio-recorded narratives. Ideas for characters and locations or storylines and plots twists can be sent by text message or tweeted via the project's twitter feed. The project's name was inspired by Dickens' The Pickwick Papers, a novel which was also published as a serial, and whose last chapter takes place in a pub



**WRITE UP YOUR STREET:** a flyer invited locals to contribute to the multi-author serialised novel organised by community arts group Stream

at Shooter's Hill. It's being backed by Greenwich-based arts organisation Stream, which runs community art projects

with support by Greenwich Council. Stream Project Manager Rohini Malik Okon said: "Participating in this project gives residents of East Greenwich and the Peninsula a unique opportunity to contribute their personal perspectives and imaginings to an experimental piece of fictional writing in a variety of different ways".

For more information and to find out how to participate call Rohini Malik Okon at Stream on 020 8858 2825 and go to <http://peninsulapapers.blogspot.com> to read the story so far.

# Community culture club

## South Indian dance wins new fans in Kidbrooke

by Pat Greenwood

**SOUTH** Indian dancers and actors who chose Greenwich as the sole live London venue on their UK tour attracted almost 800 people out to party.

The Kala Chethena Kathakali Company of major international artists, who've been performing for 11 weeks in this country, were the centre-piece of a free "connecting cultures" evening at Kidbrooke School in Corelli Road.

The school's arts college manager, Shermaine Slocombe, told GT: "It was a huge success. The aim of the evening was to create an environment where anybody could learn and experience new opportunities."

She added: "The combination of everyone's efforts created something truly special and certainly brought communities together, linked through the arts."

The evening was free, thanks to an 'Awards for All' grant from the National Lottery.

Shermaine said: "It was fantastic for Kidbrooke School to be part of a major tour and for us to have Padmasree Kalamandalam gopi perform, the greatest Kathakali actor in the world, famous for playing the heroic characters."

She added: "Due to the grant, in addition to the



**FASCINATING:** left, a Kidbrooke pupil has her hand painted with henna, main pic. some of the colourful performers on stage

professional performance, we had free food and workshops in Kathakali drama and drumming. We also had yoga classes, photography workshops and henna by our students."

Local business and community organisations set up stalls. There were refreshments, and local primary schools, Hindu groups and supplementary schools came along. There was also an exhibition of photographs and information describing Kathakali.

Shermaine told GT: "I wanted the evening to be as interactive as possible and the objective was for Kidbrooke School to engage with local groups that are on our doorstep."

Get more information by visiting [www.kathakali.net](http://www.kathakali.net) and [www.kidbrooke.greenwich.sch.uk/creative](http://www.kidbrooke.greenwich.sch.uk/creative)

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2nd Sat: St Mary's Community Centre, Eltham High Street, 10am and 4th Friday out of the month at 6pm.  
3rd Tues: Middle Park Community Centre, 150 Middle Park Avenue, 11am-12.30pm  
3rd Fri: Coldharbour Neighbourhood office, library entrance, William Barefoot Drive, 11am.  
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## COUNCIL MEETINGS

THE following meetings are taking place over the next few days in the Town Hall, Wellington Street (unless otherwise stated).

Jan 6 - Licensing Review Sub Committee, 6.30pm. Finance & Public Services Scrutiny Panel, 7pm.  
Jan 11 - Sustainable Communities & Transport Scrutiny Panel, 7pm.

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The next issue of Greenwich Time is published on January 11. To advertise call Gaynor on 020-8921 5033 or Nicola on 020-8921 5572

# January 15 deadline for primary school places

APPLICATIONS for children starting primary school in September must be made by January 15.

Parents are being reminded of the deadline by Greenwich Council and the Pan London Admissions Board which is now co-ordinating the allocation of primary school places.

All parents needing a primary school place for their child must apply, including those with an older child already at primary school and those whose child attends a nursery class in a primary school.

These parents will be the first to use the Pan-London Admissions System to apply for a primary school place. The London-wide scheme has been used to allocate secondary school places since 2005. Parents will complete a single

application form even if they are applying to primary schools in more than one borough. They may list up to six schools in order of preference and must return the form to the council where they live.

Parents can send an application by post but are recommended to apply online. For online applications, they will need to register at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk) and create a password. Some of the benefits of applying online are:

- The online system is open until the closing date of January 15 2011 and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- It is secure, quick and easy to use
- There is no risk from delays or your application being lost in the post due to adverse weather conditions or other reasons
- You will get an email

confirmation that your application has been received

- You can see the result of your application earlier than if you applied on paper.

Eligibility for a place at each school applied for will be considered separately using the published oversubscription criteria.

If a child is eligible for a place at more than one school, the local authority will offer whichever of these was listed as a higher preference by parents.

There will be one London-wide offer day on April 4 when all parents will be sent the outcome of their application.

- Contact Greenwich Admissions Section on 020-8921 8043 or visit [www.greenwich.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

# Can you claim free school meals this term?

PARENTS are being urged to find out if their children are entitled to free school meals with the start of the new term. Children can get free school meals if their parents are claiming one of the following benefits: Income Support; income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA); income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA); or Pension Credit Guarantee. Children can also get free school meals if their parents get Child Tax Credit only and their annual income is £16,190 or less (but parents cannot get this help if they get or qualify for Working Tax Credit). Examples of parents who can get free school meals this way

include some students, parents working part-time (less than 16 hours), or parents who get other benefits but are not in full-time work. To claim, get a form from your child's school, or you can call Greenwich Council's Pupil and Student Finance team on 020-8921 2570 or 020-8921 2530. You can also visit them at 151 Powis Street, Woolwich, SE18 6DZ. ● You can contact the council's Welfare Rights Service for advice or a free benefits check. Ring their advice line on 020-8921 6375 (or 18001 020 8921 6375 if you use a textphone). You can also visit [www.greenwich.gov.uk/benefits](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/benefits)



**MORE than 22,000 council homes** have received improvements by Greenwich Council as part of a national initiative called 'Decent Homes' which aims to improve living standards in council homes. Its properties upgraded, the borough is well on its target to modernise its council housing stock and improve its council homes. Dick Townsend-Smith went to see how the makeovers were



# Home



EVERYTHING PLUS THE KITCHEN SINK: Tenants Patricia Bagho, left, Caroline Knott, above and Brian Galler, right, make

**G**REENWICH is up there with the best of them in bringing its council housing stock up to higher standards. It is expected that 22,500 council homes in Greenwich will have been brought up to the Decent Homes standard by the end of the year at a cost of more than £200 million.

The Decent Homes programme is a national scheme that aims to improve living standards in council homes by upgrading facilities and carrying out repairs.

In close consultation with residents, Greenwich Council has concentrated on renewing roofs, kitchens, windows, central heating systems and providing extra insulation. So far, 7,700 new boilers, 13,300 new kitchens and 4,300 new roofs have been fitted.

A total of 8,700 homes have had their windows replaced and many have been fitted with better insulation, new wiring and guttering.

Work is progressing but more than 80% of the council housing stock is now meeting the Decent Homes standard and Greenwich is among the top London boroughs for bringing its housing stock up to a Decent Homes standard.

Cllr Steve Offord, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for housing, told GT: "We are

**■ We are committed to providing our tenants with homes that provide them with decent living standards and improve their quality of life ■**



Cllr Steve Offord, cabinet member for housing,

proud of our track record so far in carrying out this massive improvement programme, which is still ongoing. We are committed to providing our tenants with homes that provide them with decent living standards and improve their quality of life.

"I would like to say a big 'thank you' to everyone involved in making it all happen as well as all the householders for their cooperation and patience."

**R**ESIDENTS whose homes have been given a professional makeover under the council's Decent Homes scheme say they can hardly believe the difference it has made to their lives.

Grandmother Patricia Bagho's one-bedroom flat in Kingsman Street, Woolwich, was given a new kitchen with fitted units, sink and taps, and new wiring, radiators and tiled flooring.

"It's beautiful, I feel on top of the world about it," she told GT. "The designer came in and planned it out and showed it to me on his laptop. I could then choose the cabinets, the colours and the flooring. My kitchen is lovely now."

Retired midwife Patricia, who came to the UK from Nigeria in 1959, was so enthusiastic that a friend gave her a colourful tea-towel printed with a prayer dedicated to her kitchen.

"I hung it on the kitchen wall and every morning I look at it and say the prayer," she said. "I'm very pleased and very grateful to Greenwich Council – I really look forward to just being in my kitchen now. Greenwich is also lucky to have such good contractors. They were efficient, neat and tidied up afterwards. They were craftsmen who knew what they were doing."

Also getting the makeover treatment was the three-bedroom terraced house of Brian and Christine Galler in Resolution Walk, Woolwich Dockyard.

"We've been here over 30 years, and we were the first to move in when the house was

built," said Brian, 66, a retired broadcast engineer who used to work for the Central Office of Information. "We've had new wiring and new units, and we were able to choose them and also the colour scheme. It all looks fantastic, and all we are waiting for now are the replacement double-glazed windows. "They did the whole job in just 10 days, and it was a good quality job too."

The improvement works also impressed singer and musician Caroline Knott, who has a flat in John Wilson Street, Woolwich. She told GT: "I was so happy with the job they did that I wrote and sang a jingle for them, called 'My Beautiful Kitchen'. My son

Jack, who is studying film at university, filmed it and we had contractors as a 'thank you' for it. "I've got new units, wiring, radiators and a new boiler. I've lived here 10 years, and it's better than before. It's absolute and I've got so much storage space. Caroline, who also works at Greenwich Mencap, added: "The fact that a council tenanted flat was treated so well. With all the thank goodness the contractors did a good job on my radiators."

## 'It makes such a difference'



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## Young builders learn skills on the job

**EIGHTEEN** building trade apprentices have been helping to improve community facilities as part of the Decent Homes programme. They have been working with contractors on different projects where they have learnt a wide variety of skills, as well as going to college, and have now gained qualifications as electricians, carpenters, heating engineers, roofers and administrative assistants. Chris Budd, 21, from Plumstead, joined as

an apprentice multi-trader, and worked on kitchens and roofing. "I was only at college for a week then went on site. I worked alongside experienced people who helped me so most of the skills I learned were on site. I've now finished my apprenticeship and I've become a multi-skilled builder, whereas before all I could do was bricklaying. Now I can do a lot more, which means I've got more opportunities for the future." Fellow apprentice Perry Jarman, 23, added: "I did roofing, plumbing,



**MEN WITH A VAN:** Wesley Markley, Lee Jones and Kane Jefferies trained with Greenwich Building Services

painting and carpentry. I'm now fully trained and I've been able to get new work in Stratford."



# GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 217

## How the lettings policy works

Housing applicants are placed within 'Bands' according to the Council's policy for letting homes. Your band information is on the letter that the Council sent you when you registered, or when your circumstances changed.

Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to:  
**For properties advertised for band A and band B** - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time.  
**For properties advertised for band C applicants** - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

### Band

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the council must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

## How do I apply?

### 1 Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, get an application form by phoning the Access and Allocations Section on 020 8921 2941. Or pick up a form from any neighbourhood office.

### 2 Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Council about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

### 3 Pick out your ideal property

by looking in Greenwich Time or regularly checking the website:

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes)

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free in either your neighbourhood housing office, library or UK Online centre.

### 4 Apply in one of two ways

- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Council's website

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes)

## 24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes (Choice Based Lettings) Telephone Bidding Line is available in:  
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au choix ») Ligne téléphonique de demande disponible en français en composant le :  
French 020 8921 4330

Có sẵn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sản Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:  
Vietnamese 020 8921 4343

Guryaha Xaafadda Greenwich (Guri-ijaar Ku-saleysan kala-doorashao) Khadka Ku-tartanka waxaa laga helaa:  
Somali 020 8921 4345

Greenwich Konutları (Tercihle Dayalı Kiralık Konut) Telefon ile Teklif Verme Hattı Türkçe de aranabiliyor:  
Turkish 020 8921 4347

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Cantonese 020 8921 4370

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The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 12 January 2011 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 9 January 2011**

[www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes)



Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

# GreenwichHomes

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Only priority  
applicants can  
apply



Ref Number: 73257  
**John Wilson Street SE18**  
1 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Comm. Gas Htg  
**£83.06 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 84347  
**Tivoli Gardens SE18**  
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Rad C/H  
**£69.83 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 85357  
**Harden Court SE7**  
3 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Rad C/H  
**£83.23 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 86631  
**Victor House SE7**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Rad C/H. No Dogs  
**£93.51 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 120835  
**Westmount Road SE9**  
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Entry phone  
No Pkg. Rad C/H  
**£80.43 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 121217  
**Woodlands Park Rd Greenwich SE10**  
4 Bed Parl. Hse. Gdn  
Rad C/H. **£139.97 pw**  
Bands A&B Pref to Employ.



Ref Number: 121218  
**Woodlands Park Rd Greenwich SE10**  
4 Bed Parl. Hse. Gdn  
Rad C/H. **£139.97 pw**  
Bands A&B



Ref Number: 121240  
**Woodlands Park Rd Greenwich SE10**  
4 Bed Parl. Hse. Gdn  
Rad C/H. **£139.97 pw**  
Bands A&B.  
Pref to LBG Tenants



Ref Number: 121243  
**Woodlands Park Rd Greenwich SE10**  
4 Bed Parl. Hse. Gdn  
Rad C/H. **£139.97 pw**  
Bands A&B.  
Pref to Employ.



Ref Number: 121256  
**Woodlands Park Rd Greenwich SE10**  
5 Bed Parl. Hse. Gdn  
Rad C/H. **£146.65 pw**  
Bands A&B.  
Pref to Employ.



Ref Number: 121598  
**John Wilson Street SE18**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Mais.  
Unlifted. Entry phone  
No Pkg. Rad C/H  
**£82.11 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 121784  
**Eglinton Road SE18**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Mais  
Unlifted. Rad C/H.  
**£82.25 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 121795  
**Chatham House SE18**  
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Rad C/H  
**£81.47 pw.** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 121876  
**Bissextile House SE13**  
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Garden. Rad C/H  
**£98.61 pw.** Bands A&B  
Pref to Employ.



Ref Number: 121877  
**Bissextile House SE13**  
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Garden. Rad C/H  
**£98.61 pw.** Bands A&B  
Pref to Employ.



Ref Number: 121896  
**Bissextile House SE13**  
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Garden. Rad C/H  
**£98.61 pw.** Bands A&B  
Pref to Employ.



Ref Number: 122279  
**Nightingale Vale SE18**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Rad C/H. **£78.46 pw**  
Bands A&B



Ref Number: 122297  
**Kingsley Wood Drive SE9**  
3 Bed House. Gdn  
No Pkg. Rad C/H.  
**£103.79 pw.** Bands A&B  
Pref to Kidbrooke Regen.



Ref Number: 122361  
**Danby Terrace SE13**  
3 Bed Hse Gdn Rad C/H.  
**£117.97 pw** Bands A&B.  
LBG Tenants Pref to Employ



Ref Number: 122362  
**Danby Terrace SE13**  
3 Bed House. Gdn  
Rad C/H. **£117.97 pw**  
Bands A&B Pref to Employ



Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Ref Number: 122379  
**Danby Terrace**  
**Coldbath Street**  
**SE13**  
3 Bed House, Gdn  
Rad C/H. £117.97 pw  
Bands A&B



Ref Number: 122380  
**Danby Terrace**  
**Coldbath Street**  
**SE13** 5 Bed House, Gdn  
Rad C/H. £135.84 pw  
Bands A&B  
Pref to S/Overcrowding



Ref Number: 122399  
**Samson House**  
**Maxey Road SE18**  
3 Bed 2nd Floor Mals  
Unlifted, Entry phone  
Gas Fire Only.  
£87.01 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 122439  
**Danby Terrace**  
**Coldbath Street SE13**  
5 Bed House, Gdn  
Rad C/H. £135.84 pw  
Bands A&B.  
Pref to LBG Tenants



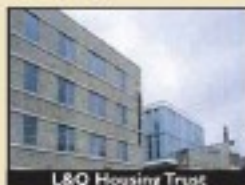
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2 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
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£85.89 pw. Bands A&B



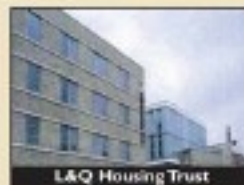
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2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H. £84.25 pw  
Bands A&B, Lvl Acc, Shwr  
Pref to Medical



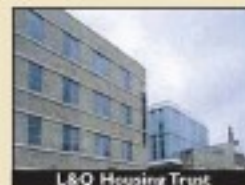
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Unlifted, Rad C/H & Gas  
Fire £70.85 pw. Bands  
A&B



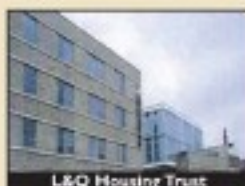
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**Merryweather Place**  
**SE10** 1 Bed Grnd Floor  
Flat Comm, Gas Htg.  
£94.44 pw Bands A&B.  
Over 40s



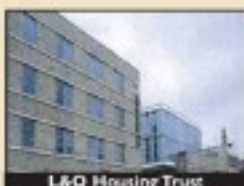
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Flat £114.94 pw. Bands  
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Smaller



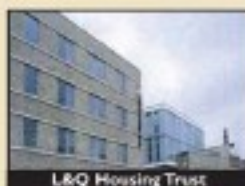
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**Merryweather Place**  
**SE10** 1 Bed 1st Floor  
Flat £94.44 pw.  
Bands A&B



Ref Number: 123201  
**Hatfield House**  
**Merryweather Place**  
**SE10**  
2 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
£114.94 pw. Bands A&B  
Couple Only, No Child



Ref Number: 123202  
**Hatfield House**  
**Merryweather Place**  
**SE10**  
1 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
£94.44 pw. Bands A&B



Ref Number: 123290  
**Hatfield House**  
**Merryweather Place**  
**SE10**  
1 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
£ 94.44 pw. Bands A&B  
Over 20s



Ref Number: 123291  
**Hatfield House**  
**Merryweather**  
**Place SE10**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
£114.94 pw. Bands A&B  
Max. 1 Child Over 10



Ref Number: 123348  
**Prestwood Close**  
**SE18** 2 Bed Grnd Floor  
Flat Rad C/H. 1 Alloc.  
Pkg Space £105.69 pw.  
Bands A&B



Ref Number: 123390  
**Bargrove Close SE20**  
3 Bed Grnd Floor Mals.  
Gdn, Rad C/H.  
£109.23 pw. Bands A&B.  
Min. 1 Child

**Hatfield House**  
**London SE10 8EW**

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restrictions apply :

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2. No Parking
3. Rent figure does NOT  
include service charges
4. Communal G/H
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6. All electric



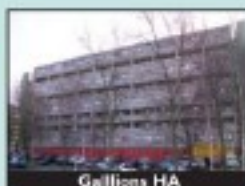
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# GreenwichHomes

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Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



Ref Number: 108767  
**Beveridge Court**  
**Saunders Way SE28**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Rad C/H. **£90.12 pw**  
No Dogs. Band C



Ref Number: 120133  
**John Wilson Street**  
**SE18**  
1 Bed 7th Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Comm. Gas Htg.  
**£82.95 pw. Band C**



Ref Number: 120293  
**Godstow Road SE2**  
Bedsit 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Rad C/H &  
Gas Fire  
**£63.91 pw. Band C**



Ref Number: 120818  
**Oliver Court SE18**  
2 Bed House Garden  
Combi Boiler & 1 Rad.  
**£86.75 pw. Min. 1 Child**  
under 16 Band C



Ref Number: 121216  
**Woodlands Park Rd**  
**Greenwich SE10**  
4 Bed Parl. Hse. Garden  
Rad C/H. **£139.97 pw**  
Band C. Pref. to Employ  
Min. 5 Child 1 under 16



Ref Number: 122118  
**Milne House**  
**Ogilby Street SE18**  
4 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
Lifted. Entry phone  
Rad C/H. **£92.93 pw**  
Band C. Min. 2 child



Ref Number: 122277  
**Danby Terrace**  
**Coldbath St SE13**  
3 Bed House. Gdn.  
Rad C/H. **£117.97 pw**  
Band C. Min 2 child 1  
Under 16 Pref to Lbg Tnts



Ref Number: 122759  
**Middle Park Ave**  
**SE9** Bedsit Grnd Floor  
Flat Combi Boiler. 1 Rad  
& Gas Fire **£72.59 pw.**  
Band C Employed earning  
less than £25K pa.



Ref Number: 122922  
**Walpole Place SE18**  
3 Bed 2nd Floor Mals.  
Lifted. **£89.82 pw**  
Band C. TMO  
(input by tenants)  
Min. 2 Child.



Ref Number: 122928  
**Squires House**  
**Barnfield Road SE18**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat  
Lifted. Rad C/H  
**£83.96 pw. Band C**  
Min 1 Child



Ref Number: 122940  
**Rixon House**  
**Barnfield Road SE18**  
Bedsit 1st Floor Flat  
Lifted. Rad C/H  
**£69.86 pw. Band C**



Ref Number: 122961  
**Tivoli Gardens SE18**  
Bedsit 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Rad C/H  
**£62.13 pw. Band C**



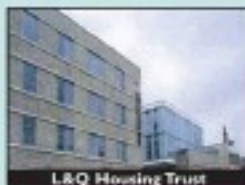
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Unlifted. Rad C/H  
**£86.76 pw. Band C**  
Min. 2 Child



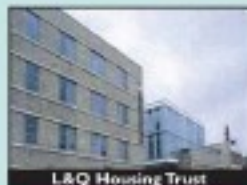
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**Commonwealth**  
**Way SE2**  
1 Bed 3rd Floor Flat  
Unlifted. Rad C/H &  
Gas Fire  
**£70.85 pw. Band C**



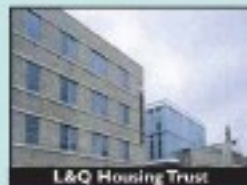
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Pref. S/Sharers



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Bedsit 5th Floor Flat  
**£80.13 pw. Band C.**  
Over 25s



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**Merryweather Place**  
**SE10** 2 Bed 5th Floor  
Flat Lifted. Entry phone  
**£114.94 pw. Band C**  
Max. 1 Child Over 10



Ref Number: 123295  
**Macaulay Way**  
**Thamesmead SE28**  
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Lifted. Ent/ph Rad C/H.  
**£81.27 pw** No Dogs.  
Band C. Over 40s

## Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**



Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

## GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Sheltered / Retirement  
Housing

Sheltered Housing provides independence in a secure and friendly environment. Each Sheltered Scheme has a Scheme Manager who is the main source of support. There is 24 hour cover from the Telecare Service. The age criteria is over 60 years, but we can consider people over 55 years with a support need. If you are interested in Sheltered housing please ring 020 8921 2941. All applications are subject to a Sheltered Housing Assessment.



Our current vacancies, (several of which are ready for immediate letting) include :-

**One Person Properties**

**Collerston House,** Greenwich, SE10, Ground floor, 1 Person, 1B Flat.

**Langton Way,** Blackheath, se3, Ground floor, Studio Flat.

**Len Clifton House,** Woolwich SE18, 1st floor Studio flat

**Minnie Bennett House,** Shooters Hill, SE18, 1ST floor Studio Flat.

**40 Littleheath,** Charlton SE7, 1st floor Studio flat

**Sam Manners House,** Greenwich, SE10, 2ND Floor Studio Flat.

**Two Person Properties**

**No Vacancies**

*All the above properties are listed unless stated.*

**This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 214**

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Cross Court Titmuss Avenue SE28 8BY	1	FLAT	123	01/11/2005	C
Manning Court Titmuss Avenue SE28 8BJ	1	FLAT	109	22/10/2008	C
Gooding House Valley Grove SE7 8AT	2	FLAT	209	09/05/2005	C
Ampleforth Road SE2 9BG	1	FLAT	229	17/10/2007	C
Meadowside SE9 6BD	3	HOUSE	119	11/06/1990	A
Halbrook Road SE3 8QU	0	FLAT	147	08/10/2004	C
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QS	1	FLAT	212	29/11/2005	C
Bissextle House Bliss Crescent SE13 7RH	2	FLAT	43	10/09/2010	B
Stanton House Thames Street SE10 9DL	2	FLAT	55	02/10/2009	B
Petrie House Woolwich Common SE18 4HB	1	FLAT	220	18/01/2006	C
Galena House Grosmont Road SE18 1LH	1	FLAT	168	19/04/2008	C
Tom Smith Close Maze Hill SE10 9XJ	1	FLAT	160	13/06/2006	C
Lolland House Maryon Road SE7 8DF	2	FLAT	178	27/11/2008	C
Wordsworth House Woolwich Common SE18 4HR	1	FLAT	51	18/08/2008	B
Daisy Munns House Merchland Road SE9 2DD	1	FLAT	77	03/10/2005	A
Fuchsia Street SE2 0SZ	2	MAISONETTE	38	09/09/2008	B
Raymond Postgate Court Tawney Road SE28 8DR	2	FLAT	140	10/06/2009	C

## Sheltered Housing

If you are 55 or over then you may consider sheltered housing provided by the Council or housing association. Sheltered blocks have a Scheme Manager on hand to provide help and support if needed. Sheltered housing is a good option for older people who can live independently, but would feel more secure within this environment.

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# SCENE

**Theatre**  
**Women of great importance**

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**DVD**

**Kid gets the chop from Chan**

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# You've been tangoed!



A FREE project for unemployed people is showing that it takes more than

two to tango.

Myriam Ojeda has set up a program of dance classes in West Greenwich, but admits that there is more to it than just learning the steps of the passionate South American discipline. She told *Scene*: "We have received funding for a project where we will train people for 12 weeks, in not only choreography and dancing, but also to produce their own costumes and sets for the performance."

The culmination of three months work is a one-off night at Charlton House where the backdrops and costumes created will be at the centre of a tango spectacular.

Myriam added: "The event will be open to the public and takes place on March 18, and preparation starts on January 7. It's an open night of social dancing - so people can come and join in if they want to. If not they can just come and be part of the social event. At one point during the evening we will have the performance from the students."

Period costumes and scenery will add a touch of history to the evening.

"The space will be transformed into a 1930s dancehall, with images and history about Greenwich in the 1930s," Myriam said. "We are going to build and make prints according to the period."

Rehearsals are every Friday at West Greenwich House and

participants need not have any experience of dancing. The teacher has over 25 years of experience under her belt and her partner Diomar Giraldo worked with the hapless celebrities on *Strictly Come Dancing* for three seasons.

"My partner worked on three series - 2005, 2006 and 2009, in the finals on BBC One," she said.

Myriam and Diomar are both Columbian, and she admits that the TV show has helped in raising the profile of dance.

But what is it about the Tango in particular that makes it so popular?

"I think it's the simplicity of the dance and also the skills that people acquire when they dance the Tango,"

Myriam said - "it's a highly skilled dance but very sociable. It is very passionate, and the music is lovely as well."

There are ten places available to make a full class of 35, and as usual, it's the blokes dragging their heels in signing up.

"Ideally we'd like to have the same number of men and women," the

dance teacher added. "We're especially looking for guys. 'They don't need too much experience - we're running a span of different levels for different abilities, from people who have been dancing for six years to people who have been dancing for three months. We will give each person a role that they can play comfortably.'"

Rod Kitson

Classes start on Jan 7 at West Greenwich House, 141 Greenwich High Road. 7-10pm.

Free for the unemployed, £7 per session for others.

To apply for a place, email Myriam at [danzalatina.uk@virgin.net](mailto:danzalatina.uk@virgin.net)

A dance project kicks off later this week in West Greenwich and

it's free for unemployed people

IT TAKES TWO: Myriam and dance partner Diomar step out

## Apprentice: You're hired

## Local lass gets top job



**THAMESMEAD banker Stella English triumphed in the BBC reality show, *The Apprentice*.**

The 30-year-old mum-of-two saw off stiff competition in a nail-biting final to secure the big money position in Lord Alan Sugar's billion-pound organisation.

In the final, Stella thwarted drone-voiced Chris Bates in a drink-making challenge.

Her updated and clever take on bourbon - 'Urbon' - beat Bates' clunky pomegranate concoction, 'Prism'. Stella admitted the competition had been gruelling, but she never thought about packing it in.

She said: "There were times that I felt very tired and it was much harder than I ever thought it would be. But in terms of quitting, there was absolutely no way."

"When I walked out that door and looked at my boys' faces as I left, I fully intended to come back with a new job. I could never think of coming out of it without winning."

Stella was raised in Thamesmead by her great aunt who instilled values that she says helped her win the gruelling competition.

"She's taught me to set your sights as high as you possibly can and that the only thing that can hold you back is yourself," the banker added.

To think that little Stella from Thamesmead could be the winner of *The Apprentice* is unbelievable." Stella will take up a role as Product Manager implementing projects for hospitals and schools for the Viglen Group.

## The fun of the farm

EVERY Thursday in January and February there is the chance for toddlers to meet the animals at **Woodlands Farm**.

Sessions are £2 for adults and children go free to the farm on Shooters Hill Road.

There are also arts and crafts and a play area, as well as the opportunity to meet up with other families with same age children.

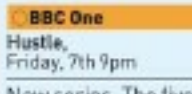
Tea and biscuits are provided and there is no need to book - just drop in between 10am and 12pm.

The Woodlands Farm Trust, 331 Shooters Hill, DA16 3RP  
Nearest BR: Welling  
Buses: 486 & 89

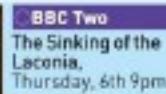
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## Highlights of the week



con artists target an ex-model who is stealing money from naive young women hoping to make it in the business. Starring Robert Vaughn.



Part one of two. The fate of the passengers and crew of the RMS Laconia after the ship was torpedoed by a U-boat in 1942. Franka Potente stars.



London, Danny meets his estranged father Robert (Warren Clarke) and ends up taking him back to Leopold's Den, where he learns tragic news about him.

Friday, 7th January

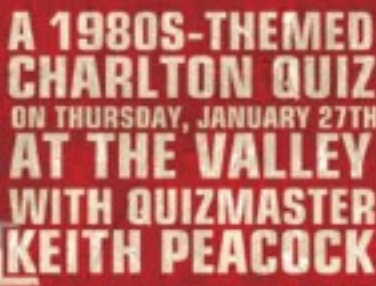
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6.00 <i>It's a Wonderful Life</i>	6.00 <i>Cowboy Builders</i>
9.15 <i>It's a P</i>	3.00 <i>Five News at 7</i>
9.00 <i>Hearts in Menards</i>	3.00 <i>How Do They Do It?</i>
18.00 <i>Log Feed Tractors</i>	6.00 <i>Downing's Last Resort</i>
11.00 <i>CSI: Crime Scene</i>	Revised
12.00 <i>Five News</i>	10.00 <i>CSI: NY</i>
1.00 <i>on Film: A Brother's Gift</i>	10.00 <i>CSI: MI</i>
1995 <i>Period drama, starring</i>	10.00 <i>CSI: Crime Scene</i>
<i>Henry McKenna</i>	10.00 <i>Investigation</i>
2.00 <i>on Film: My Date (1995)</i>	10.00 <i>Five News</i>
<i>Period drama, starring</i>	12.00 <i>CSI: Crime Scene</i>
<i>Mary Stuart Masterson and Sam</i>	4.00 <i>Onion Sewer/Fair Brand</i>
<i>Shoepack</i>	<i>Tour</i>
5.00 <i>Five News</i>	4.00 <i>House Doctors</i>
	5.10 <i>Wild at the SOGS</i>

6.00 <i>Mikobaku!</i>	7.00 <i>Five Nights at 7.</i>
9.20 <i>6-7.</i>	7.30 <i>Highland Emergency.</i>
9.55 <i>Journal Rescue Squad.</i>	8.00 <i>There is a Kill-us in My</i>
10.15 <i>Ice Road Trucker.</i>	<i>House!</i>
11.15 <i>CSI: Crime Scene</i>	9.00 <i>HR.</i>
<i>Investigation.</i>	10.30 <i>Law &amp; Order: Criminal</i>
1.10 <i>Five Nights.</i>	<i>Intent.</i>
1.15 <i>on FIVE: The Big Heist</i>	10.55 <i>Law &amp; Order: Special</i>
2.00 <i>Crime drama, starring</i>	<i>Victims Unit.</i>
<i>David Sturdevant.</i>	11.50 <i>Power.</i>
3.00 <i>HR: Mary McCormack</i>	12.10 <i>Law &amp; Crime.</i>
<i>Clay's MacGuffin: Be serious</i>	9.00 <i>Grain Sewell's Grand</i>
<i>Yau! (1998)</i>	<i>Tour.</i>
5.00 <i>Five Nights.</i>	4.25 <i>House of Dogs.</i>
5.30 <i>Honkey Link.</i>	5.10 <i>W in the SCS.</i>

<b>4.08</b> <i>Milkshake!</i>	<b>7.00</b> <i>Five News at 7</i>
<b>9.28</b> <i>N-9</i>	<b>7.30</b> <i>Zoo Days</i>
<b>9.58</b> <i>Journal: Rescue Squad</i>	<b>8.00</b> <i>Nature's Secrets: The Final Frontier</i>
<b>10.15</b> <i>Ice Road Truckers</i>	<b>8.30</b> <b>FILM</b> <i>SMASH</i> (TV-14)
<b>11.35</b> <i>CSI: Crime Scene Investigation</i>	<i>Actor Christopher Reeve, starring Samiel L. Jackson</i>
<b>1.10</b> <i>Five News</i>	<b>11.25</b> <i>The World of Stupid Criminals</i>
<b>1.15</b> <b>FILM</b> <i>Dying to Belong</i> (TV-14)	<i>Psychological thriller, with Hilary Swank</i>
<b>2.00</b> <i>Survivor: The Island</i>	<b>11.35</b> <i>Cops in Crisis</i>
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<b>2.30</b> <i>CSI: Crime Scene Investigation</i>	<b>4.00</b> <i>Dr. Oz Sewell's Grand Tour</i>
<b>3.00</b> <i>Five News</i>	<b>4.45</b> <i>House Hunters</i>
<b>5.30</b> <i>Monkey Life</i>	<b>5.10</b> <i>Wild at SOCS</i>

**6.09** *Mikishofel*  
**5.15** *K-V*  
**6.09** *Animal Research Squad*  
**10.19** *Police Beat: Adolescents*  
**1.19** *Nightmares*  
**15.10** *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*  
**1.05** *Free News*  
**1.10** *film: Lucy* (2017) *Goetz, starring Rachel York and Ben Barnes*  
**2.10** *film: Clever Girl* (2018) *Previews: Romantic drama, starring Lacey Chobert and Ryan Reynolds*  
**5.30** *Amnesty Life*  
**6.09** *Convoy Stationers*  
**7.09** *Five Minutes at 7*  
**7.09** *Michael's Zoo*  
**1.10** *film: The True Story*  
**8.09** *The School*  
**10.09** *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*  
**10.09** *MCT5*  
**11.05** *Case in Crisis*  
**1.10** *film: The Girl on the Train*  
**3.05** *Marino and Mandali*  
**4.09** *Radio Report: Trucks and Traders*  
**5.10** *What Is SDC*



Doors open 7pm, quiz starts 8pm  
Hot food and licensed bar available

Tickets £7.50, including free entry into a competition to win a tour of the training ground, accompanied by Keith Peacock and including lunch with manager Phil Parkinson

Funds raised will go towards a new minibus for the Charlton Athletic youth academy

Buy in person at the Valley commercial centre  
or call 0871 326 1905\*

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**Channel 4**  
**David Williams' Awfully Good,**  
Tuesday, 4th 9.35pm

In the first of three programmes to be aired throughout the year, the comedy actor celebrates misjudged but entertaining moments in TV, films and adverts.



**Five**  
**NCIS,**  
Wednesday, 5th 9pm

New series. Tony travels to north Africa on the trail of missing agent Ziva, but is taken hostage by terrorists in Somalia where he is given an ultimatum.



**Film of the Week**  
**National Treasure: Book of Secrets,**  
Saturday, 8th 10.30pm

Archaeologist Ben Gates sets out to clear one of his ancestors of involvement in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. Adventure sequel, starring Nicolas Cage.

## Digital & Cable

### Tuesday

**Girl with a Pearl Earring.**  
BBC4, 10pm

Agri takes up the job as a maid in the household of the artist Vermeer – but her presence provokes friction in the family and the jealousy of a his wife when the servant catches the painter's eye. Period drama, starring Scarlett Johansson, Colin Firth, Tom Wilkinson and Judy Parfitt.



### Wednesday

**Timeshift: The Golden Age of Coach Travel.**  
BBC4, 9pm

Exploring the history of the coach, which offered a cheaper alternative to rail travel upon its arrival in the 1950s and gave greater freedom to people with limited funds. Narrated by June Whitfield.



### Thursday

**The World Is Not Enough.**  
ITV2, 10pm

James Bond is assigned to protect an oil heiress from an infamous terrorist planning to destroy a pipeline. Spy adventure, starring Pierce Brosnan, Robert Carlyle, Sophie Marceau, Denise Richards, Robbie Coltrane, Judi Dench, Desmond Llewelyn, John Cleese and Samantha Bond.



### Friday

**Die Another Day.**  
ITV2, 9pm

James Bond is suspended from duty after being taken hostage in North Korea, but goes against orders to track down those who betrayed him. Spy adventure, starring Pierce Brosnan, Halle Berry, Toby Stephens, Judi Dench and John Cleese, including FYI Daily.



### Saturday

**Grand Designs.**  
more4, 8.40pm

Kevin McClelland meets a couple hoping to fulfil their dream of building a Georgian-style mansion. Having spent the past few years finding the perfect plot of land in Farnham, Surrey, and meticulously planning the project, Helen Saunders and her husband Mark Ecclestone are ready to get the building under way.



### Sunday

**CSI: Miami.**  
Living, 10pm

A man who was leading a double life is found hanging during his ex-wife's divorce party. Meanwhile, Hercule tries to shield Kyle from Julia's erratic behaviour. Crime drama, starring David Caruso, Magaly Echazure, Elizabeth Berkley and Evan Ellingson.



### Monday

**Rich Hall's The Dirty South.**  
BBC4, 9pm

The comedian sets his keen eye and acerbic wit on his homeland, as he unlocks the truth from the fiction in Hollywood's version of the southern states of America. Featuring specialty short interviews of classic films including Come with the Wind, A Streetcar Named Desire and Calverton.



### Saturday, 8th January

**6.00** Breakfast.  
**6.30** Saturday Kitchen Live.  
**11.30** Nigel Slater's Simple Suppers.  
**13.00** BBC News and Weather.  
**13.15** Football Focus.  
**1.00** Live Attraction: Coverage of the Great Edinburgh Cross-Country race at Holmwood Park.  
**2.30** Live Darts: BBC World Championship. The first semi-final at the Lakeside Country Club.  
**4.30** Final Score: Reunited of football results.  
**5.10** BBC News and Weather.

**6.00** CBeebies.  
**7.00** CBBC.  
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**9.25** Coronation Street.  
**11.45** This Morning Saturday.  
**12.15** TV News, Weather.  
**12.30** Live FA Cup Football.  
**1.00** **FILM:** The Untouchables (1937).  
**1.15** **FILM:** Star Wars: Episode I – The Phantom Menace (1999). Sci-fi prequel, starring Liam Neeson and Ewan McGregor.  
**6.00** London Tonight.  
**6.15** ITV News, Weather.

**6.00** The Trouble People. **6.10** The Hobbs.  
**7.00** **FILM:** Academy. **7.25** Friends' in a...  
**7.30** The Morning Line.  
**9.50** Live and Let It Be.  
**10.15** The Green Hornet: TV Movie Special.  
**10.55** Famous and Fearless.  
**11.55** The Big Bang Theory.  
**1.55** Channel 4 Racing.  
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**6.10** Channel 4 News.  
**6.25** Ashtutosh Jr.

**6.00** Mikshakel!  
**6.00** **FILM:** The Searchers (1956). John Ford's Western, starring John Wayne.  
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**6.00** Breakfast.  
**6.30** The Andrew Marr Show.  
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## DVDangerous

### Chop chop for Kid remake



WHEN the lead character of a film called *The Karate Kid* says that "Kung Fu is everything", you know you're

in trouble. Throw in pint-sized hero, Dre Parker (Jaden Smith) and an aging martial arts expert, Mr Han (Jackie Chan) and you have a recipe for disaster. Or do you?

My own children grew up with the 1984 original of the same name. We listened attentively to Mr Miyagi's words of wisdom and we were charmed by Ralph Macchio's naïve innocence. So I looked for the cracks wanting this to fail to preserve our own memories; Smith only got the role because of his father Will Smith, surely – and anyway he's too small to play the part. How could Jackie Chan play a serious role, I thought? But I was wrong: both leads rose to the occasion.

Chan is a revelation, virtually unrecognisable as the tired and worn maintenance man. Emotionally wrecked by the loss of his family, he hides himself away, endlessly building and rebuilding his car, like Sisyphus and his rock. Gradually he is coaxed back to his true self by his pupil, one late night training scene particularly touching. But it takes two to tango and Smith also impresses. Seemingly undaunted by the sheer scale of his role (he is in almost every scene) he rides a roller-coaster of emotions. Anger and resentment at his forced relocation to China (his mother having been expatriated) soon turns to fear as he is relentlessly pursued and intimidated by the school bullies, fiercely led by "no mercy" Chang (Wang Zhenwei).

Finally he cracks and turns to Mr Han for help. Han, in one of many scenes reminiscent of the original, asks Parker to take off his jacket only to tell him to put it straight back on again. After endlessly repeating this seemingly futile task, Han suddenly attacks him and Parker finally realises the importance of flexibility of arm and swiftness of hand. Thereupon, they begin a training regime – far beyond the wildest nightmares of Rocky Balboa – a regime that involves shower curtains, brooms, bamboo canes, the Great Wall of China and last but not least, a king cobra. Harald Zwart directs powerfully with stunning images of Beijing and rural China, a modern score and Parker's gentle friendship with violin-playing Mei Ying (Wen Wen Han) complementing the obvious on-screen chemistry between Smith and Chan. The tournament finale, while somewhat predictable, is cleverly filmed with some stunning sequences. Karate or Kung Fu? They are one and the same.

#### Verdict:

A rare treasure and a worthwhile remake. Look out for the sequels. 8/10

Dick Morgan

Karate Kid is out now on DVD  
Certificate: PG

# Is it Independent's

*Catfish* is the latest independent film making waves in a notoriously



INDEPENDENT films are mixed bag. On the one hand original, stimulating and thought provoking, on the other they can be self

indulgent, disjointed and poorly scripted. The best examples make us look at the world in a way which paid-up Hollywood stooges never could, with skewed insight on a range of niche and often uncomfortable subjects which Saturday night popcorn proles would rather not entertain.

The less successful ones, however, leave all but the most deluded chin-scratchers hankering for a tangible storyline and the flash of the exit signs.

So while there may be the faint whiff of self-satisfaction emanating from the hushed auditoriums of indie flick-houses up and down the country, the film industry would be a bland place indeed if all that was on offer were the latest churnings from the USA.

Of course Hollywood isn't threatened by the Indies – why would it be? If a good 'n comes along all it need do is buy the rights and remake it: dumb it down, scrub the subtitles and add a crass leading man from Tinseltown à la Vanilla Sky.

There are very few examples that make the leap on their own – *The Blair Witch Project* is among just a handful of low budget offerings that have made big box office from a limited outlay.

Since its release over a decade ago there has been a raft of super-real, handy-cammed efforts made on a shoestring, and as such *Catfish* (screened at local indie-champions, *The Greenwich Picturehouse*), had missed the boat.

Grabbing the zeitgeist by the whiskers, the film was part *Social Network*, part *Blair Witch* – a melting pot of Facebook voyeurism and shaky POV camerawork. Though purporting to be a factual



SHE DRIVES ME CRAZY: Yaniv (right) and chums film their trek across America on a search for the truth

documentary, the movie had been slammed by critics who thought it seemed more than a little staged. But there's a bigger problem: leading man Yaniv Schulman. Playing an apparently exaggerated version of himself, he is immediately unlikable. The guy's a creep.

**It'd be a gullible movie-goer who'd believe this yarn didn't have a script-writer's grubby paw print anywhere on its carcass**

He's smarmy. An impression which isn't helped when his online dance photography is happened upon by an eight-year-old prodigal painter, Abby, who wants to use the photos to make her own art. He's thrilled and they start a friendship. The guy's got no self-awareness – engaging with an eight-year-old girl over the internet on any level makes for an unsavoury

atmosphere.

But it's compelling in an I'm-Cringing-From-Behind-My-Hand kinda way, and it's when he moves his attentions to the girl's 19-year-old sister that it starts to get interesting. He's in love. She could be the one, he thinks.

As it turns out, spoiler fans, he's been had. As the grim realisation dawns on Yaniv that he's been chatted up by a delusional, mentally unstable middle-aged mom from the Midwest, he and his brother decide to drive across the country to 'get to the bottom of it'. Or to get their own back, possibly... Hang on a minute, isn't this just glorified stalking?

Maybe we're more cynical over this side of the pond, but it'd be a gullible movie-goer who'd believe this neatly-buttressed yarn didn't have a script-writer's grubby paw print anywhere on its carcass. Granted, the hyper-real portrayals here are great, but when the trio drive up to a creepy old barn in the middle of the night, raiding the mailbox to discover Yaniv's beau doesn't live there, still they drive on past the

## Trending in 2011: technology



WHAT a year 2010 was for technology. In a short twelve months we saw story after story on the changing landscape of technology. From the iPad to Kinect we saw everyday devices taken well and truly into futuristic terms. On the web we witnessed Twitter grow fold over fold, while Facebook became the size of a nation and its founder won Time magazine's Person of the Year award.

At the beginning of 2010 I wouldn't have been able to predict what was going to happen in the following twelve months, but that's not going to stop me from doing it for the coming year.

I suspect that 2011 won't have the same wow factor that 2010 held, instead we'll see existing technology entering the limelight to a greater degree. The two obvious ones here are Blu-Ray and 3D. I doubt we'll see Blu-Ray start to outsell DVDs, but the price of titles will drop further and DVD players will also enter the cheap price range. When it comes to 3D TVs, again there will be a sharp decline in price, and hopefully for the

consumer, one 'type' of 3D will come to the fore. Tablets will undoubtedly rule the 2011 landscape – almost every major player including Microsoft and Google have thrown down the gauntlet to Apple's iPad – Apple of course will have a whole new model to show off. Expect many manufacturers to release smaller tablets, bigger tablets, different kinds of app stores, tablets with keyboards and no doubt some tablets with phones built-in. Talking of phones, expect another monster year of fast paced handset and software updates. Only a few weeks ago

Google was showing off the latest iteration of Android – the



NO FAD: iPad was top tech product of 2010

latest software update is not so much about new features and considerably more about improving performance and tweaking the interface. Android users will see several types of these updates in 2011 and the handsets to go along with them will get faster, better battery and smaller. We'll also see whether Microsoft's new Windows Phone 7 will gain them any ground in the very competitive smartphone market. As for Apple and RIM (Blackberry), what they're going to do is anybody's guess – RIM does seem a bit too focussed on its Playbook tablet device though. All of this is about what the technology brands are going to offer the consumer, but what does the consumer want from the manufacturers? I'm going to stick my neck out and say that green products will really begin to dominate the technology industry. We're going to see manufacturers really start to show off how their products are environmentally friendly to make, use and throw away. 2011 looks set to be a fantastic year for technology lovers and users all round, so watch this space.

Alex Brooks



Edited by Rod Kitson

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# day?

hit-and-miss genre

farmhouse to have a snoop around. It was like a scene from Deliverance, and implausible in the extreme, given the notoriously trigger happy part of the world they were in. Disbelief re-suspended, and it turned out that mom-from-Michigan, Megan Faccio had woven a whole tapestry of characters - all with their own addresses, Facebook profiles and intertwined friendship groups. The amount of work she'd put in really was commendable, but she was clearly troubled. A little thing like mental illness wasn't going to stop our brash trio of New Yorkers from getting the film they wanted though: It was like a double bill of Beadle's About with the amount of people they were stitching up. The Picturehouse had billed the screening as including a Q&A with Yaniv after the film. Which was a little misleading when it turned out to be a streamed session from another cinema - with questions from an audience clearly handpicked for their love of the film. The lead man got an easy ride of course, and tastefully took the opportunity to further run down the unbalanced lady who had been so gracious on film, and whom he continued to take advantage of. There were no probing questions on the dubious reality of the piece, or whether it was all a setup. And only a token query about whether he thought it appropriate to be striking up a relationship with an eight-year-old girl over the internet. Any lingering illusions I had over the veracity of the film were shattered when the film's star claimed that he had since been had stung one more time by the woman, this time pretending to be her estranged daughter. Even Pinocchio would have drawn the line at that one.

Rod Kitson

# Great importance

Greenwich Playhouse gives one of **Oscar Wilde's** lesser known plays a facelift which ensures it stands the test of time, says **Alex James**

**WHILE** it may be regarded in less than great esteem when compared with Oscar Wilde's other plays, **A Woman Of No**

**Importance** certainly feels like it deserves more recognition than it has earned.

For traditional theatre to still entertain audiences in the age of stunning special effects, bursts of action and surround sound is testament to the impact and the sheer superlative of the writer.

Galleon Theatre Company's production was updated to a 1950s setting in order to bring the play out into

more contemporary ground, moreover showcasing, as director Bruce Jamieson states, "the final decade where women were seen to be less equal than men". The play reflects the cusp of liberalism and signposts the growing consciousness of gender around the era. The times were indeed a-changing.

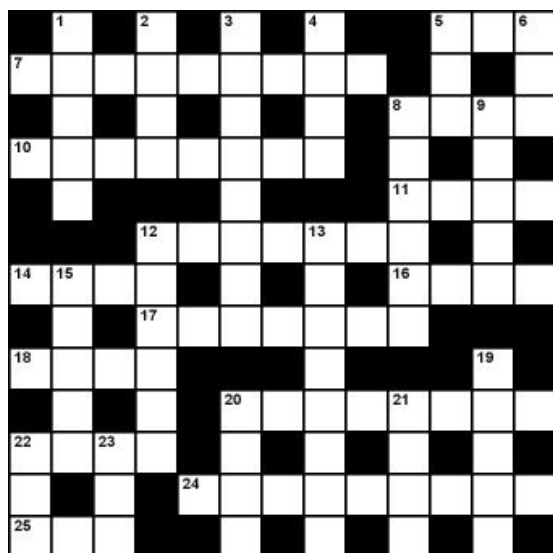
New setting aside, there's little change or a fresh angle to speak of, and the play is firmly rooted to the prose of Wilde, reliant on his wit and deeply satirical humour which still brings laughter with sublime ease. The first part demonstrates the playwright at his most wily as he picks holes in the indulgent, superficial nature of the upper classes and the use of marriage as a social tool. The cast appeared set in the mould and presented a faultless display of acting, besides an under-nurtured American accent which of all things stood out, but perhaps I'm nitpicking as there was little else to detract from the performances. A heady Kevin Marchant (Lord Illingworth) in particular played a sterling role; his stage presence was that of an actor with a huge amount of confidence. Kath Perry as Lady Hunstanton and Olivia Hill as Mrs. Allonby both made a spectacle whilst the beautiful Darrie Gardner (Lady Caroline) articulated majestically. The second

part is where the play becomes more serious: Being much shorter than the first it is an act of attrition, some of the leading characters are lost and the play hones in on the dramatic dispute between the two parties involved in the birth of an illegitimate child and the consequences thereof. Wilde supports the cause of motherhood against the unforgiving society of the time, and calls into question the extreme indulgent lifestyle of pleasure which he himself was caught up in. The father, Lord Illingworth, has indulged in a life of pleasure and relative freedom at the expense of his son's upbringing whilst Mary Lincoln (Mrs. Arbuthnot), the mother, has been deprived of a life of indulgence which is the 'price' she must pay by being bound to challenge of raising her offspring alone. Both characters are superbly juxtaposed and the dynamic on stage is enthralling. As with the complexities of real life the characters are well layered and weaved intricately into the plot with foresight and are brilliantly directed. There are years left in Wilde's plays and I doubt very few have been performed as well as this one at the Greenwich Playhouse.

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**PLAYING A ROLE:**  
(l-r) Mary Lincoln, Hugh Darbyshire, and Louise Tyler

## Time Crossword...



### CLUES ACROSS

- 5) It was a dolly one on washday (3)
- 7) Large settlement settled no longer - very spiritual (5, 4)
- 8) With which you criticise adversely if you're diplomatic (4)
- 10) By which food may be preserved (8)
- 11) Route to almost anywhere and back (4)
- 12) Archbishop of Canterbury (7)
- 14) Yell like mad to attract attention (4)
- 16) Upon which the wheels of commerce turn (4)
- 17) Clever bonce could be cracked with a spoon (7)
- 18) Absolutely mad, feral and uncultivated (4)
- 20) Cross this river or die (4, 4)
- 22) Rather dismissive way to say just or only (4)
- 24) In which the big shots always travel (9)
- 25) By means of bladed poles, propel a boat (3)

### CLUES DOWN

- 1) No great dimension but sweet

- if swift (5)
- 2) Capri is one they sing of (4)
- 3) Bell in a clock signals angry trade union activity (8)
- 4) May snap as you creep through the woods (4)
- 5) When it's for two it's a friendly meal (3)
- 6) Get it between the teeth - especially the horse's (3)
- 8) Follow it and you'll not get lost in a maze (6)
- 9) Fast move in the water - sounds slow (5)
- 12) Left with 'uncle' when you're short (6)
- 13) Feeling you don't much like a certain something (8)
- 15) A leg I change by means of an acrobatic body (5)
- 19) With ways a possible solution to some problems (5)
- 20) Morally stiff, unbending and proper (4)
- 21) Push out from position (4)
- 22) Actions that ram around to spoil the effect (3)
- 23) Skinless flesh uncooked and unproven (3)

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:

ACROSS: Veto, 8) Footnote, 9) Hue, 10) Tier, 11) Fate, 13) Descry, 14) Drench, 15) Master, 18) Degree, 20) Bush, 21) Same, 22) Bay, 24) Get going, 25) Also. DOWN: 1) De luxe, 2) Row, 3) Effigy, 4) Hot rod, 5) Knife-edge, 6) Static, 12) Scotch egg, 16) Amulet, 17) Rustic, 18) Damage, 19) Elapse, 23) Way.

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**GREENWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL  
NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF A  
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER  
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980  
The Greenwich Borough Council  
(Part of Thames Path) (No. 2)  
Public Path Diversion Order 2010**

- On 17<sup>th</sup> December 2010, the Council of the London Borough of Greenwich confirmed the above Order made under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980.
- The effect of the Order as confirmed is to divert the line of that part of the Thames Path public footpath that lies between John Harrison Way and the unnamed footpath and cycle route that lies between Thames Path and East Parkside so that it is realigned between distances of 0 metres and 1.25 metres north-eastward of its existing line, as shown on the Order Plan (see paragraph 3).
- The part of the footpath to be stopped up extends from a point ("Point A" on the Order Plan) which forms the intersection of the centre line of the path and an imaginary line parallel to and 8 metres north-west of the projected north-western kerb-line of John Harrison Way (Point A being approximately at Ordnance Survey grid reference 539931 179426) running generally north-westward for a distance of approximately 287 metres to a point ("Point B" on the Order Plan) which forms the intersection of the centre line of the path and an imaginary line parallel to and 4 metres north-west of the projected north-western kerb-line of the unnamed footpath and cycle route that lies between Thames Path and East Parkside (Point B being approximately at Ordnance Survey grid reference 539735 179638), and having a width varying between 6.6 metres and 6.7 metres. The centre line of the path between Point A and Point B runs south-westward from an imaginary straight line joining these two points by distances of between 0 metres at Point A to 7.5 metres at the midpoint of that centre line and to 0 metres at Point B.
- The part of the footpath to be created extends from Point A running generally north-westward for a distance of approximately 287 metres to Point B, and having a width varying between 6.6 metres and 6.7 metres. The centre line of the path between Point A and Point B runs south-westward from an imaginary straight line joining these two points by distances of between 0 metres at Point A to 6.25 metres at the midpoint of that centre line and to 0 metres at Point B.
- A copy of the Order as confirmed and the Order Plan have been placed and may be seen free of charge at the offices of the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Greenwich Council, Crown Building, 48 Woolwich New Road, SE18 6HQ between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays inclusive. Copies of the Order and Order Plan may be bought there at a reasonable price determined by the Council.
- The Order came into force on 24<sup>th</sup> December 2010, but if a person aggrieved by the Order wants to question its validity, or that of any provision contained in it, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Highways Act 1980, as amended, or on the ground that any requirement of the Act, as amended, or of any regulation made under the Act has not been complied with in relation to the Order, he or she may, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Act as applied by paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to the Act, within 6 weeks from the date on which this notice is published, make an application to the High Court.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation  
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Dated 4<sup>th</sup> January 2011  
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**LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)  
THAMES PATH - TEMPORARY CLOSURE**

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council has made an Order to facilitate footpath realignment works on that length of Thames Path that lies between a point 8 metres north-west of the north-western kerb-line of John Harrison Way and a point approximately 287 metres north-west of that point and includes that part of the footpath indicated by traffic signs as being for the use of pedal cycles. The effect of the Order will be to temporarily prohibit pedestrians and pedal cycles from entering onto or proceeding on the above-mentioned length of Thames Path.
- The above prohibition will only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
- Whilst the above prohibition is in operation, the alternative route for pedestrians and pedal cycles will be via John Harrison Way, East Parkside and the south-west to north-east arm of Peninsula Square.
- The Order will come into operation on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2011 and will continue in operation for up to 6 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. It is expected that the works will take approximately 18 weeks to complete.
- Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5576.

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# SPORT

## Varney back as Charlton welcome new owners

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has an incredibly loyal fan base. I'd like to pay tribute to Richard Murray, who took on a huge financial responsibility last summer when he saved the club from almost certain administration while he sought new investment. I'm delighted that we'll continue to benefit from Richard's unique insight and relationship with the club and the supporters.

"As the new owners, we are both football fans and businessmen. Today's acquisition brings much-needed financial stability to the club. Our plan for Charlton is to run the club on a sensible financial footing and develop a commercial plan to ensure we make progress on and off the pitch to meet the expectations of our fans.

"What we won't do is create unrealistic pie in the sky expectations. We will always live within our means and, with a sound commercial approach and the run of the ball on the pitch,

our aim, obviously, is to make steady, upward progress and bring success to The Valley."

Slater added: "The fans have continued to support the club in large numbers over the past few difficult seasons and this was a big factor in our decision to invest and come here.

"We believe that there is significant future potential for the club with all that is happening in the local and wider South East region and we intend to capitalise on that potential. We are committed to creating a long-term financial platform which the club can use to realise its obvious potential on and off the field."

Murray commented: "I have been involved with the club for

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which I care passionately for nearly 20 years now, mostly as chairman. The reconstruction of The Valley, two promotions to the Premier League and eight years in the top flight was a remarkable achievement. Against that, there has been the real disappointment of successive relegations in recent years and the financial turmoil that ensued from that, but throughout these difficult times our supporters have shown patience and incredible loyalty.

"I have made no secret of the fact that the club has been actively seeking new investment and it has taken me some time to find the appropriate new owners, but I now believe I am passing the club to the right people who can secure its long-term future.

"I have been impressed with their enthusiasm and their plans and ideas for its future progression, and I am delighted that I will continue to be involved at board level with them and to help rebuild the club, both on and off the pitch."

## Trust helps young people kick habit

YOUNG people are being helped to 'Kick the Habit' - or avoid it altogether - by the Charlton Athletic Community Trust.

The trust's week-long smoking cessation programme warned about the dangers of smoking and the effects it has on their lives and the people around them.

Charlie East from the trust's 'Kick the Habit' team, said: "It has been great to interact with the young people at the Greenwich sessions because from an early age we can stop them from starting, or help them stop smoking."

The team has worked with more than 300 young people as part of the programme funded by Greenwich Council. Plans are being drawn up to create more venues in the New Year.

● ALL tickets have now sold out for the FA Cup third-round tie against Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane on Sunday, January 9 (1.30pm). Charlton's home match against Carlisle United that weekend has been postponed.

● LENNIE Lawrence, Steve Gritt, Bob Bolder, John Humphrey and Colin Walsh will come out of retirement to represent Charlton next month - but they won't be requiring their boots. Instead, they will be taking on a team of Addicks Anoraks, including historian Colin Cameron, in a special 1980s quiz at The Valley on Thursday, January 27 to raise fund for a new academy minibus. Tickets, priced £7.50, are on sale on 0871 226 1905.

● THE postponement of Charlton's league match against Hartlepool at Victoria Park means the Addicks have three outstanding matches to be arranged in 2011. In addition to the Pools fixture, Charlton have to reschedule matches against Rochdale and Carlisle.

● NEITHER Charlton's U18s nor the Addicks women's team were in action over the holiday period due to the weather. The U18s aren't in action again until a trip to Norwich City on January 22, when they will face the side which knocked Charlton out of this year's youth cup.

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# Swiss role for the Addicks

Former chief exec Varney on the board to steer club forward

by Peter Cordwell

**A COMPANY managed and controlled in Switzerland has taken over Charlton Athletic.**

The new owners are Tony Jimenez, an international property developer, and lawyer and businessman Michael Slater.

The club sent out this statement on New Year's Eve: "Baton 2010 Limited, the parent company which owns Charlton Athletic Football Company Limited and Charlton Athletic Holdings Limited, today announced the sale of Baton to CAFC Holdings Limited (CAFC), a company managed and controlled in Switzerland.

"CAFC is owned and controlled by Tony Jimenez, an international property developer, and Michael Slater, a lawyer and businessman."

Slater becomes a director and chairman of Baton, Charlton Athletic Football Company Limited (CAFC) and Charlton

Athletic Holdings Limited (CAHL) immediately in place of Richard Murray, who will remain a director of all three companies.

The other directors of Baton, CAFC and CAHL will be Peter Varney, Stephen Kavanagh and Jimenez.

Varney - a former Charlton chief executive who represented the new owners during the transaction - becomes executive vice-chairman with responsibility for corporate strategy and planning.

Former managing director Kavanagh becomes chief executive and will continue to be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the football club. Varney and Kavanagh will report directly to Slater.

"By acquiring Baton, we are delighted to have taken control of Charlton," said new chairman Slater. "The club has a long and proud history and



**BESIDE BANTER:** first-team members bring a smile to the face of another young football fan

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**SMILES AHEAD?**  
Charlton players  
in jubilant mood  
after a goal is  
scored - but  
what does the  
second half of  
the season hold  
for the Addicks  
at another  
crossroads in  
their history?



## Open Events

Tuesday 11th January  
5-8 pm

Thursday 3rd March  
5-8 pm

Tuesday 17th May  
5-8 pm

Prospectuses and  
application forms  
will be available  
at these events



**Shooters Hill Post 16 Campus**  
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# Broaden your horizons at Shooters Hill

Shooters Hill Post 16 Campus has a well-established track record in delivering high quality academic and specialist vocational courses. In 2006 and in 2009, Ofsted judged us as 'Good with Outstanding Features'.

Our students benefit from learning in state-of-the-art real work environments, including:

- hair and beauty salons
- production kitchens supporting a silver service restaurant, City View
- construction workshops
- art and design studios
- retail and enterprise areas
- contemporary multi-media IT suites.

Shooters Hill is a safe and highly inclusive young adult learning environment, with support and inclusive practice for students on courses at the highest levels and those with moderate and severe levels of learning need.

To complement their studies, learners have access to a comprehensive set of Student Support Services; a well-resourced Learning Resource Centre and drop-in IT 'Hub'; weekly pastoral support and, an exciting sports and enrichment programme.

"Strong educational values upheld by dedicated and helpful staff."

"Shooters Hill College is a perfect environment to learn in."

Yvonne Pham



"Safe and friendly local community school."

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Accounts  
Architecture  
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Business Studies  
Chemistry  
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Food Technology & Home Economics  
Law  
Maths & Further Maths  
Media Studies  
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Photography  
Physical Education  
Physics  
Psychology  
Sociology  
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## Vocational Subjects

Art & Graphic Design  
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Beauty Therapy  
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Business  
Business Administration  
Carpentry & Joinery  
Catering & Hospitality  
Computing & ICT  
Construction  
Design Technology  
Electrical Installation  
Independent Living Skills (ILD)  
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"The good level of care, guidance and support is underpinned by effective work with a range of external specialists to support more vulnerable students."

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"The proportion of students accepted onto university courses is high and continues to rise year on year. Provision within the curriculum for information and communication technology (ICT) is excellent."

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#### Shooters Hill Campus has an 8 year proven track record:

- In 2010 nearly 94% of our qualifications met or exceeded national benchmarks.
- Our 2011 target is to be 100% compliant.
- 40% of our students are studying for Level 3 qualifications – many preparing for University.
- Offer 35 A Level subjects: the largest offer in this area of London.
- **A Levels: 97+% A–E Pass Rate**
- **A Levels: 55% A–C Pass Rate**
- **Average Point Score: 573+** per student (over 150 Level 3 students).
- **132** students have got University places this summer.
- Value-added that is in the **top quartile of schools & Colleges** (Nationally) for three years running.

#### Some of our key strengths are:

- Strong Tutorial & Pastoral Support.
- Strong Parental Involvement – three formal progress reviews across the year.
- High academic standards.
- Lots of enrichment / social activities, sports, trips and visits.
- Strong student support services.

#### Just some of our Trips & Visits

Salon International  
Hair & Beauty Show  
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Sports Relief  
Entry level annual residential trip  
House of Lords  
New York  
Sailing Trip

#### Student Achievement Awards

Jack Petchey Achievement Awards  
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"A good school with outstanding features."

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"Record number of students progressing onto Universities."



"Shooters Hill has given me the ambition to get as far as I can in my industry."  
Gurmeet Singh



"The largest sixth form in England and Wales."



"Shooters Hill offers a diverse curriculum range for school leavers."







#### City View Restaurant

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#### Studio 16

Students on our wide range of Hair, Beauty & Make-Up courses offer a diverse range of treatments at substantially reduced prices. Call us on 020 8319 9702

#### Sporting facilities

Shooters Hill has a wide range of facilities for hire including:

#### Swimming pool (20m x 8m)

Clubs from our local community organise swimming classes for toddlers, children and adults, SCUBA diving lessons and a range of other special interest activities for diverse groups.

#### Gymnasium

This area can accommodate fitness activities and training for groups of up to 30 people.

#### Indoor sports hall (28m x 16m)

5-a-side football, basketball, badminton and table tennis.

#### Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)

This external area has floodlights and is suitable for netball, 5-a-side football and other general activities.

#### Tennis

Shooters Hill is home to the Kent Lawn Tennis Club and has three full-size tennis courts which also have floodlights for year-round use, weather permitting.

#### Conference facilities

Sports Centre conference room (Seats 50-80) £25 per hour

Conference Room (Seats 80) £25 per hour

Drama Hall (Seats 250) £25 per hour

Small Conference Rooms (Seats 8-16) £20 per hour

Meeting Rooms (Seats 4-6) £15 per hour

Full details and bookings via 020 319 9701/9744

#### Where to find us

For more information visit [www.shootershill.ac.uk](http://www.shootershill.ac.uk) or call us on 020 8319 9700



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Siobhan Meikle



"Exciting and inclusive."

"The future looks positive."



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